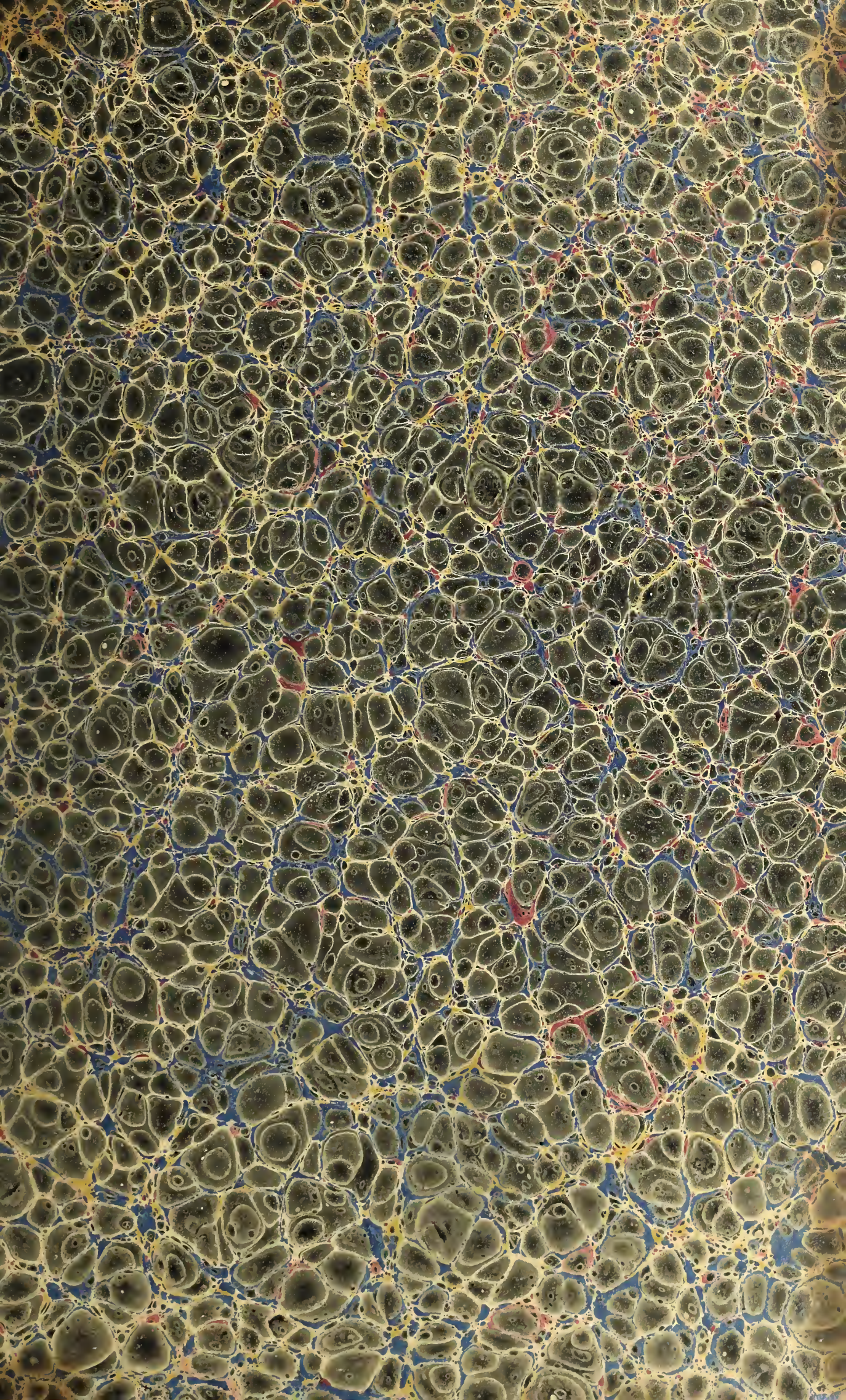




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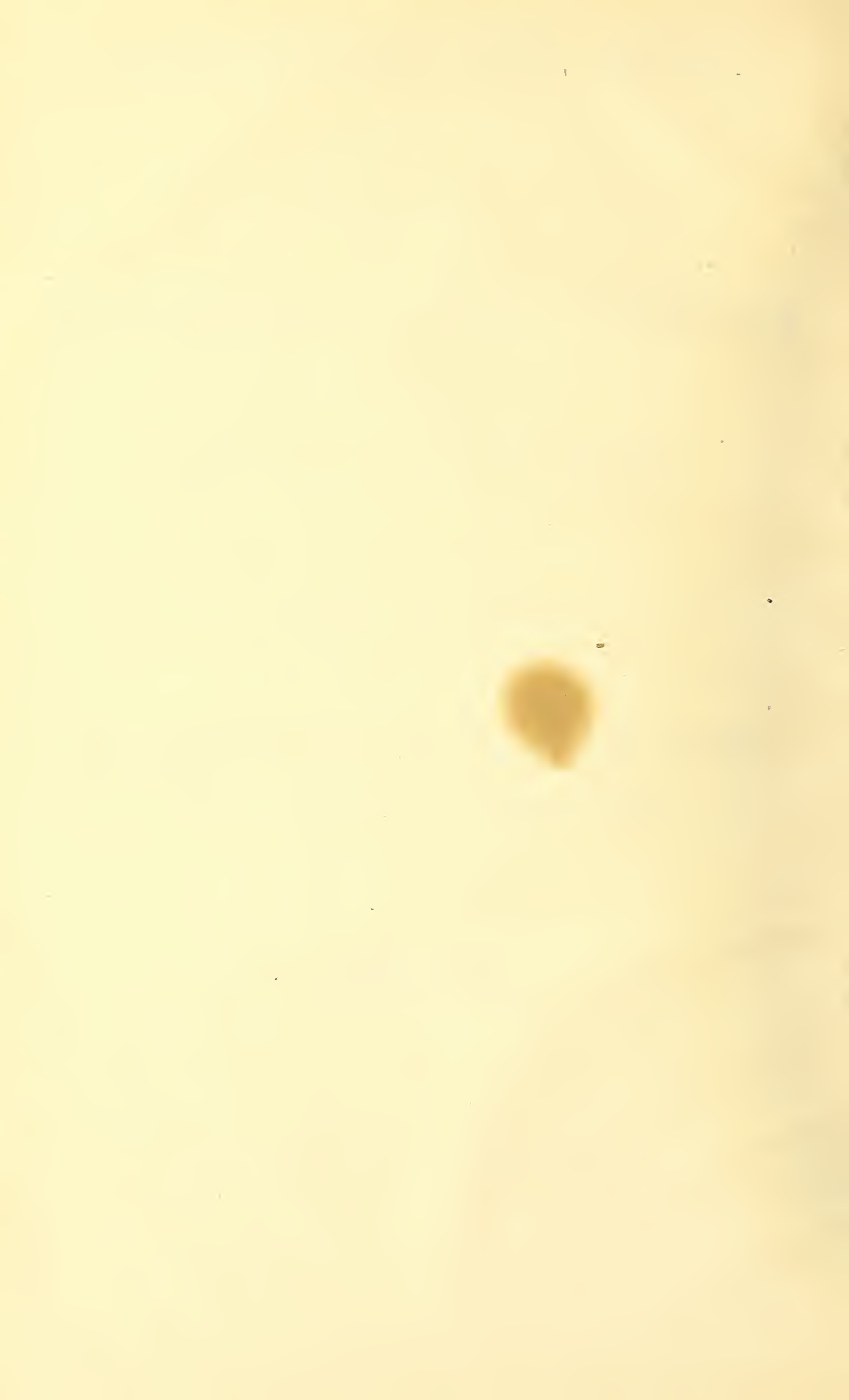
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“And that out of the sum to be set apart for the benefit of the Menonites, a proportionate sum be assigned towards inducing Canadians residing in the United States to settle in Manitoba, or the North-West Territory.”

And objection being taken to the constitutionality of this motion;

Mr. Speaker stated, that it was not competent for the Honorable Member to move to change the destination of a grant, recommended by the Crown—consequently he must decline to put this motion of amendment.

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Messieurs

Baby,	Farrow,	Maemillan,	Pinsouneault,
Bécharl,	Ferguson,	McCallum,	Platt,
Bernier,	Gaudet,	McQuade,	Plumb,
Bourassa,	Gill,	Masson,	Robillard,
Caron,	Haggart,	Mills,	Rou'cau,
Cheval,	Harwood,	Monteith,	Scatcherd,
Cimon,	Hurteau,	Montplaisir,	Stephenson,
Costigan,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Mousseau,	Taschereau,
Coupal,	Lanthier,	Orton,	Wallace (<i>Norfolk</i>), and
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Messieurs

Appleby,	De St. Georges,	Lafamme,	Pouliot,
Archibald,	Dymond,	Laird,	Pozer,
Aylmer,	Ferris,	Lajoie,	Richard,
Barthe,	Fiset,	Landerkin,	Robitaille,
Bertram,	Fleming,	Langlois,	Rochester,
Biggar,	Flynn,	Laurier,	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Blackburn,	Forbes,	Macdonald (<i>Cornwall</i>),	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Blain,	Fournier,	Macdonald (<i>Glengarry</i>),	Ross (<i>Prince Edward</i>),
Borden,	Fraser,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Ryan,
Borron,	Fréchette,	MacDonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Schultz,
Bowell,	Gallbraith,	Maedougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Seriver,
Bowman,	Geoffrion,	McDougall (<i>Renfrew</i>),	Shibley,
Brown,	Gibson,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	Sinclair,
Buell,	Gillies,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Skinner,
Burk,	Gillmor,	MacLennan,	Smith (<i>Peel</i>),
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Gordon,	McCraney,	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Goudge,	McIntyre,	Snider,
Cameron (<i>Cardwell</i>),	Ilagar,	McLeod,	Stirton,
Cameron (<i>Ontario</i>),	Hall,	Metcalfe,	St. Jean,
Cartwright,	Higinbotham,	Mitchell,	Thibaudeau,
Cassey,	Holton,	Moffat,	Thompson (<i>Haldimand</i>),
Casgrain,	Horton,	Moss,	Thomson (<i>Welland</i>),
Church,	Huntington,	Murray,	Tremblay,
Cockburn,	Irving,	Norris,	Trow,
Cook,	Jetté,	Oliver,	Tupper,
Cunningham,	Jodoin,	Palmer,	Vail,
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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 4TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

The House having met ;

A Message was received from His Excellency the Governor General, desiring the immediate attendance of The House in the Senate Chamber:—

The House attended accordingly ; and being returned,

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that he had received from the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to the *Controverted Elections Act*, 1873, Certificates and Reports relating to the Elections

For the Electoral District of the County of Essex ;
For the Electoral District of the County of Lincoln ;
For the Electoral District of the Town and Township of Cornwall ;
For the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Renfrew ;
For the Electoral District of the County of Addington ;
For the Electoral District of Argenteuil ;
For the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Renfrew ;
For the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of Northumberland ;
For the Electoral District of Montreal West ;
For the Electoral District of Montreal Centre ;
For the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Northumberland ;
For the Electoral District of Richmond and Wolfe ;
For the Electoral District of Joliette ;
For the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Norfolk ;
For the Electoral District of the Centre Riding of the County of Wellington ;
For the Electoral District of the North Ridings of the Counties of Leeds and Grenville ;
For the Electoral District of Colchester ;
For the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Victoria, (Ont.) ;
For the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Simcoe ;
For the Electoral District of the Town and Township of Niagara ;
For the Electoral District of L'Assomption ;
For the Electoral District of the City of Kingston ;
For the Electoral District of Chambly ;
For the Electoral District of Toronto East ;
For the Electoral District of the County of Halton ;
For the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Middlesex ;
For the Electoral District of the City of London ;
For the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Huron and
For the Electoral District of Two Mountains.

And the same were read as follows:—

ESSEX CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Toronto, Sept. 16, 1874.

SIR,—I have the honor to report to you that the Petition against the return of the sitting Member for the County of Essex was tried before me at Sandwich on the 24th August last and succeeding days, and I certify that *William McGregor*, Esquire, the Member elected for said County and whose return was complained of was not duly returned or elected and that his Election was void.

I also certify that no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed with the knowledge and consent of said *William McGregor*.

That one *William Marentette* was proved to have been bribed.

That corrupt practices did prevail, and treating especially prevailed at the said Election.

And I further certify that the said *William McGregor* the Respondent in said trial was ordered and adjudged to pay the costs in that behalf.

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the notes of the evidence and findings, and also certain exhibits filed and produced at said trial.

I have the honor to remain, Sir,

Your obedt. servt.,

JOHN H. HAGARTY,

Chief Justice of Court of Common Pleas.

The Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

LINCOLN CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Toronto, 16th Sept., 1874.

SIR,—I have the honor to report that the Petition against the return of the sitting Member for the County of Lincoln was tried before me at St. Catharines on the 7th instant and I certify that *James Norris*, Esquire, the Member elected for said County and whose return was complained of was not duly returned and elected, and that his Election was void.

I also certify that no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed with the knowledge and consent of the said *James Norris*.

That one *Alexander Howell* was proved to have been guilty of bribery and that one *William H. Bonham* was bribed.

That corrupt practices did prevail at the said Election. I further certify that the said *James Norris* was adjudged to pay the costs in that behalf.

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the notes of the evidence, and of my finding at the said trial.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedt. servt.,

THOMAS GALT,
J.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons,
Ottawa.

(Duplicate.)

CORNWALL CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

IN THE ELECTION COURT.

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral Division of the Town of Cornwall with the Township of Cornwall thereto attached holden on the twenty-second and twenty-ninth days of January, A. D. One thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

Dominion of Canada, }
Province of Ontario, }
To wit:

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons:

I certify that the trial of the Petition of *Darby Bergin* of the Town of Cornwall in the County of Stormont, Doctor of Medicine, against the return of *Alexander F. McDonald* was had before me at the Town of Cornwall, on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Monday the third, fourth, fifth and seventh days respectively of September in the year of Our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and that at the conclusion of said trial, I did determine and adjudge that the above referred to *Alexander F. McDonald* was not duly elected and returned at the Election above referred to, and that the said Election of the said *Alexander F. McDonald* was and is void.

And it being charged in the said Petition, that corrupt practices were committed at the said Election, I further certify that it has not been proved before me that any corrupt practice has been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of the said *Alexander F. McDonald*.

I further certify that at the said trial it was proved before me that corrupt practices have been committed by the following persons, viz:—

(1) *Henry Sanfield McDonald*; (2) *Donald B. McLennan*; (3) *George McDonald* (of Moulinette); (4) *Donald Miles McMillan*; (5) *Duncan G. McDonald*; (6) *John Morrisette*; (7) *Alexander Mulhearn*; (8) *Gilbert Runnions*; (9) *Samuel Wood*; (10) *David Olgar* (the father); (11) *James Cannan*; (12) *William Cline*; (13) *John Murray*; (14) *John Angus Grant*; (15) *Charles Dupuis*; (16) *Aaron Walsh*; (17) *Homer Styles*; (18) *Miles Leclaire*; (19) *Stephen Conliffe*; (20) *John D. McLennan*; (21) *A. K. McDonald*; (22) *Hector Craig*; (23) *Angus McGillis*; (24) *Duncan McCrae*; (25) *John Sheets*; (26) *John McLennan*; (27) *John B. McDonald*; (28) *Donald McDonald* (brother and partner of *George McDonald* of Athole, Postmaster at Cornwall).

I further certify that it appeared to me upon the said trial that there was reason to believe that corrupt practices prevailed somewhat extensively, though not very extensively at the said Election.

And I have determined and adjudged that all costs, charges and expenses of and incidental to the presentation of the said Petition and to the proceedings consequent thereon shall be paid by the said *Alexander F. McDonald* he being the party opposing the said Petition.

Dated this 16th day of September, A. D. 1874.

J. G. SPRAGGE,
C.

SOUTH RENFREW CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

IN THE ELECTION COURT.

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

Election of a Member of the House of Commons for the Electoral Division of the South Riding of Renfrew holden on the twenty-second day of January in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and continued until the twenty-ninth day of the same month.

Dominion of Canada, }
Province of Ontario, }
To wit: }

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons.

I certify that the trial of the Petition of *William Bannerman* of the Township of McNabb in the County of Renfrew lumber merchant, against the return of *John Lorn McDougall* was had before me at the Village of Renfrew, on Tuesday and Wednesday the eighth and ninth days of September, A.D. 1874, and that at the conclusion of such trial I did determine and adjudge that the above named *John Lorn McDougall* was not duly elected and returned at the Election above referred to and that the said Election of the said *John Lorn McDougall* was and is void.

And it being charged in the said Petition that corrupt practices were committed at the said Election, I further certify that it has not been proved before me that any corrupt practice has been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of the said *John Lorn McDougall*.

I further certify that at the said trial upon the opening of the Court on the second day thereof it was stated and admitted by Counsel for the said *John Lorn McDougall* in the presence of the said *John Lorn McDougall* that corrupt practice was committed at the said Election by an Agent of the said *John Lorn McDougall* for whose acts in the premises he the said *John Lorn McDougall* was and is responsible whereby his Election was and is void.

I further certify that it did not appear before me that corrupt practices have or that there is reason to believe that they have extensively prevailed at the said Election.

And I have determined and adjudged that all costs, charges and expenses of and incidental to the presentation of the said Petition and to the proceedings consequent thereon shall be paid by the said *John Lorn McDougall* he being the party opposing the said Petition.

J. G. SPRAGGE

Dated this 18th day of September, A. D. 1874.

ADDINGTON CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

IN THE ELECTION COURT.

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT 1873.

Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral Division of the County of Addington, holden on the twenty-second and twenty-ninth days of January, A. D. 1874.

Dominion of Canada, }
Province of Ontario, }
To wit:

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons.

I hereby certify that the trial of the Petition of *James N. Lapierre*, merchant, *James Nimmo*, farmer, *George Paul*, farmer, *David S. Bell*, farmer, and *Thomas Hinch*, farmer, all of the Township of Camden, in the County of Addington and Province of Ontario against the return of *Schuyler Shibley* was had before me at the Town of Napanee on Monday the twenty-first day of September, A. D., 1874, and at the conclusion of such trial I did determine and adjudge that the above named *Schuyler Shibley* was not duly elected and returned at the Election above referred to, and that the said Election of the said *Schuyler Shibley* was and is void.

And it being charged in the said Petition that corrupt practices were committed at the said Election I further certify that it has not been proved before me that any corrupt practice has been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of the said *Schuyler Shibley*.

I further certify that at the said trial it was proved before me that corrupt practices were committed by the following persons, namely:—(1) *Henry Couter*; (2) *James Deeks*.

I further certify that at the said trial upon the opening of the Court it was stated and admitted by the Counsel for the said *Schuyler Shibley* in the presence of the said *Schuyler Shibley* that corrupt practice was committed at the said Election by an Agent of the said *Schuyler Shibley* for whose acts in the premises he the said *Schuyler Shibley* was and is responsible whereby his Election was and is void.

I further certify that it did not appear before me that corrupt practices have, or that there is reason to believe that they have extensively prevailed at the said Election.

And I have determined and adjudged that all costs charges and expenses of and incidental to the presentation of the said Petition and to the proceedings consequent thereon shall be paid by the said *Schuyler Shibley* he being the party opposing the said Petition.

J. G. SPRAGGE,
C.

Dated this 30th day of September, A. D. 1874.

ARGENTEUIL CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

Dominion of Canada, }
Province of Quebec, } *In re* ARGENTEUIL.
Montreal Division. }

LEMUEL CUSHING, Junior,

Petitioner,

AND

The Honorable JOHN JOSEPH CALDWELL ABBOTT,
Respondent.

I, *Francis Godschall Johnson*, Judge of the Superior Court for Lower Canada, and an Election Judge of the Montreal Division named to try this Petition do hereby certify to the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons, in conformity with the provisions of section 19 of the Controverted Elections Act, 1873, that on Tuesday the sixth day of October eighteen hundred and seventy-four, at the Court House of Lachute, in the said Electoral District of Argenteuil, at the conclusion of the trial of this Election Petition, I did determine that the Respondent, the Honorable *John Joseph Caldwell Abbott* was not duly returned or elected, and that the parties should each of them bear and pay his own costs: and I further append hereto a copy of such my determination, and of the notes of the evidence given, and also copies of the admissions and declarations made by the parties respectively at the said trial. Dated at Montreal the eighth day of October one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four

F. G. JOHNSON,
J. S. C.

To the Honorable
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

NORTH RENFREW CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

IN THE ELECTION COURT.

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

Election of a Member of the House of Commons for the Electoral Division of the North Riding of the County of Renfrew holden on the twenty-second and twenty-ninth days of January in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

Dominion of Canada, }
Province of Ontario, }
To wit:

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons:

I certify that the trial of the Petition of *John Rowan* of the Township of Alice in the County of Renfrew, miller, *Arthur Taylor* of the Township of Stafford in the said County, farmer, *Ithiel Bostwick Boyce* of the Village of Pembroke in the said County, wool carder, and *Thomas Joyce* of the said Village of Pembroke, painter, against the return of *Peter White*, the younger, was had before me at the said Village of Pembroke, on Monday the fourteenth day of September A.D. 1874, and that at the conclusion of such trial I did determine and adjudge that the above named *Peter White*, the younger, was not duly elected and returned at the Election above referred to, and that the said Election of the said *Peter White*, the younger, was and is void.

And it being charged in the said Petition that corrupt practices were committed at the said Election, I further certify that it has not been proved before me that any corrupt practice has been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of the said *Peter White*, the younger.

I further certify that on the said trial it was stated and admitted by Counsel for the said *Peter White*, the younger, that corrupt practice was committed at the said Election by *George C. Bolton*, an Agent of the said *Peter White*, the younger, for whose acts in the premises he the said *Peter White*, the younger, was and is responsible whereby his Election was and is void.

I further certify that at the said trial it was proved before me that corrupt practices have been committed by the following persons, namely:—(1) *George C. Bolton*; (2) *John Ross*; (3) *William Cole*; (4) *Thomas Hill*; (5) *Elias M. Wade*; (6) *John Hoare*; and (7) *James McFarlane*.

I further certify that at the said trial it did not appear to me that corrupt practices have or that there is reason to believe that they have extensively prevailed at the said Election.

And I have determined and adjudged that all costs charges and expenses of and incidental to the presentation of the said Petition, and to the proceedings consequent thereon shall be paid by the said *Peter White*, the younger, he being the party opposing the said Petition.

Dated this 23rd day of September, A.D. 1874.

J. G. SPRAGGE,
C.

WEST NORTHUMBERLAND CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

IN THE ELECTION COURT.

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral Division of the West Riding of Northumberland holden on the twenty-second and twenty-ninth days of January, A.D. One thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

Dominion of Canada, }
Province of Ontario, }
To wit:

To the Honorable, the Speaker of the House of Commons:

I certify that the trial of the Petition of *William Lemuel Burnham* of the Township of Hamilton in the County of Northumberland and *Angus Henry McDonald* of the Township of Haldimand in the said County, yeoman, against the return of *William Kerr* was had before me at the Town of Cobourg on Friday and Saturday the twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth days of September A.D. 1874, and that at the conclusion of such trial I did determine and adjudge that the above named *William Kerr* was not duly elected and returned at the Election above referred to and that the said Election of the said *William Kerr* was and is void.

And it being charged in the said Petition that corrupt practices were committed at the said Election I further certify that it has not been proved before me that any corrupt practice has been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of the said *William Kerr*.

I further certify that at the said trial it was proved before me that corrupt practices have been committed by the following persons, namely:—

(1) *Walbridge Cunningham*; (2) *John Knox* (of Lot 30 in 2nd Concession of the Township of Hamilton); (3) *Eber Byam* (of the Township of Hamilton); (4) *Alexander Fraser*.

I further certify that at the said trial upon the opening of the Court it was stated and admitted by the Counsel for the said *William Kerr* in the presence of the said *William Kerr* that corrupt practice was committed at the said Election by an Agent of the said *William Kerr* for whose acts in the premises he the said *William Kerr* was and is responsible, whereby his Election was and is void.

I further certify that it did not appear before me that corrupt practices have or that there is reason to believe that they have extensively prevailed at the said Election.

And I have determined and adjudged that the general costs charges and expenses of and incidental to the presentation of the said Petition and proceedings consequent thereon shall be paid by the said *William Kerr* he being the party opposing the said Petition; but that the said *William Kerr* is not to pay the increased costs occasioned by evidence and proceedings on the part of the Petitioners in order to prove that corrupt practices were committed at the said Election by or with the knowledge and consent of the said *William Kerr* and I do not adjudge that any costs be paid by the said Petitioners to the said *William Kerr*.

Dated the sixth day of October, A. D. 1874.

J. G. SPRAGGE,
C.

MONTREAL WEST CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral District of Montreal West.

In the matter of the Petition of

ALEXANDER A. STEVENSON *et al*
AND

FREDERICK MACKENZIE,

Respondent.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons, Dominion of Canada:

SIR,—1. I have the honor to inform you that I was appointed to try the Election Petition fyled against the return of *Frederick Mackenzie*, Esquire, a Member for the Electoral Division of Montreal West for the House of Commons.

2. The trial was held on the 20th, 21st and 22nd days of October last.

3. I do hereby certify that the Election of the said *Frederick Mackenzie* as such Member held on the 29th January last was void and I also append hereto a copy of the notes of the evidence given at said trial and a copy of my judgment as recorded in this matter.

4. I have the honor further to report that corrupt practice has not been proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of any candidate at said Election.

5. I further report that the following persons have been proved at the trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices at said Election:—*Moses Malone*, *William Russell*, and *Patrick Findlay*.

6. I cannot report whether corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said Election inasmuch as the trial terminated after the examination of a few witnesses.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedt. servt.

F. W. TORRANCE,
J.

Canada,
Province of Quebec, }
Montreal Division.

IN THE ELECTION COURT.

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT OF 1873.

Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral District of Montreal West.

The Twenty-second day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

PRESENT:

THE HONORABLE MR. JUSTICE TORRANCE.

ALEXANDER A. STEVENSON *et al*
Petitioners,

AND

FREDERICK MACKENZIE,

Respondent.

I, the undersigned Justice of the Superior Court for the Province of Quebec, having heard the parties and the witnesses of the Petitioners, having examined the procedure of record and the declaration and affidavit of the Respondent, *Frederick Mackenzie*, fyled this day, and having deliberated, do determine that

the Election of the Respondent, *Frederick Mackenzie*, as Member of the House of Commons for the Electoral District of Montreal West had on the 22nd and 29th days of January, 1874, was void, and do condemn the Respondent to pay all costs:

F. W. TORRANCE,
J.

MONTREAL CENTRE CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

JUDGMENT AS RECORDED, 13TH JUNE, 1874.

DOMINION OF CANADA, MONTREAL DIVISION, CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT OF 1873.

Montreal (Centre) Election.

PRESENT :

THE HONORABLE MR. JUSTICE MACKAY,

Judge of the Superior Court, and an Election Judge of the Montreal Division.

In the matter of the Petition presented to the Election Court, Montreal Division, by *Thomas Caverhill, Duncan McIntyre, Robert McCready* and *George Horne*, all Merchants, of the City of Montreal, by which Petition it was prayed as follows:—"Wherefore your Petitioners pray that it may be determined that the said *Michael Patrick Ryan* was not duly elected or returned, and that the said Election was void, and that the said *Michael Patrick Ryan* was and is incapable of being a candidate, or of being elected or returned during the present Parliament," and which Petition I was appointed to try.

The trial of this Petition commenced before me at Montreal upon the Ninth day of May, 1874, and was continued upon subsequent days until the Thirteenth day of June, in presence of the parties and their Counsel, and having taken and heard all the evidence, having heard the parties and their Counsel, and deliberated, I did at the conclusion of the trial, on the 13th of June, 1874, determine that the Petitioners had not proved their quality, had not proved, in manner required by law, their *status* alleged of duly qualified voters, that they appeared never to have had right to present a Petition, that they appeared without interest to complain, that they had no *locus standi*, and that there were no legal Petitioners before me, and I rejected therefore the said Petition with costs, declaring at the same time that, under the circumstances, I did not feel bound to pronounce upon the other parts of the case, but that if the House of Commons called for further Report, I would be ready to make one. I now therefore adjudge that the said Petitioners have not proved their quality alleged, to wit, have failed to prove their first allegation of Petition, that they have not proved in manner required by law their *status* alleged of duly qualified voters; that they appear never to have had right to present a Petition, that they appear without interest to complain, and that they have no *locus standi*; that there are no legal Petitioners before me, and I reject their Petition with costs, all which I shall report to the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons.

R. MACKAY,

Judge Superior Court and an Election Judge for the Montreal Division, and specially appointed to try the above Petition.

Montreal, 13th June, 1874.

Canada, }
Province of Quebec. }

Court of Review sitting under the Controverted Elections Act, 1874, giving jurisdiction to review Judgments of the Election Court sitting under Act of 1873.

Re MONTREAL CENTRE.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons:

We, the undersigned Judges of the Superior Court for Lower Canada, sitting in Review, have the honor to report and certify that by our judgment rendered on the 31st day of October, 1874, we have determined in the matter of the Petition in this case:—

1st. That the return of the Respondent, *Michael P. Ryan* is void, and that he has not been duly returned or elected.

2nd. That no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the said Respondent.

3rd. That the names of the persons who have been proved at the trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices, are those that follow, (some of them are mentioned by their surname only in the evidence) and we have no other means of indicating them,—*Thomas Carroll, James Callaghan, Patrick Wright, Francis Connor, John McLaughlin, Philip Kennedy, Michael Costello, Butler, Thomas Masscy, McCallum, Pettigrew, Forrester, Woods, James Noonan or Noemen, Pollette, Bourque, Bourdeau, Lafebre, Trudelle, Champagne, Gallagher, Dixon, William Waters, Brosseau, Henessy, Michael Meighon, Poupart, J. Pettigrew, Grace, Mitchell, J. Cochrane,*

Richard McShane, George Purden, Huddell, Wells, Brian Donnelly, John Forrester, Dixon, Dennis Tansey, John McDonnell, John Melville, John Slattery, Gentle, James Cahill, Brady, John Hatchett, O'Brien, James O'Brien, Stafford, Francis Dowse, Arthur Rowland, Michael Farmer, Francis Chauncey, John Ryan, Thomas Price, Moses O'Brien, Thomas Wells, Patrick Ryan, Morris Gaheny, John O'Brien, Thomas Carroll, Patrick Doran, Connolly, Marshall, W. Brennan, Francis O'Connor, Loughlan McGoverin, F. X. Theriault, Patrick Meehan, Ashton, J. Bpte. Belanger.

4th. That there is reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said Election.

5th. That it was further determined that each party should pay their own costs.

6th. We append hereto a copy of the notes of evidence taken at the trial before *Mr. Justice McKay*.

Montreal, 7th November, 1874.

F. G. JOHNSON,
J.

F. W. TORRANCE,
J.
J. U. BEAUDRY,
J.

EAST NORTHUMBERLAND CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Toronto, November 7, 1874.

SIR,—I have the honor to report to you that the trial of the Petition in the matter of the Controverted Election for the Electoral Division of East Northumberland, took place before me at Cobourg on Tuesday, October 27th, 1874.

That by my decision James Lyons Biggar, Esquire, the Respondent was not duly elected or returned, and that his Election was void.

That no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed with the knowledge or consent of the Respondent.

That corrupt practices did not extensively prevail at such Election.

That the Respondent shall pay the Petitioners costs, save and except any costs incurred in obtaining, amending, briefing or placing the particulars on the Record, which are disallowed.

I enclose herewith a copy of my notes of the evidence and finding.

I have the honor to remain, Sir,

Your obedt. servt.

JOHN H. HAGARTY,

Chief Justice H. M. Court of Common Pleas for Ontario.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

RICHMOND AND WOLFE CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

IN THE ELECTION COURT.

THE CONTESTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

Dominion of Canada, }
Province of Quebec }
Montreal Division. }

Electoral District of the United Counties of Richmond and Wolfe,

WILLIAM HOSTE WEBB,

Petitioner,

AND

The Honorable HENRY AYLMER, the Younger,

Respondent,

I, the Judge, assigned to preside at and take the trial of the Election Petition in this case, commenced proceedings as such Judge sitting in open Court, at Richmond in the said District on the fifteenth day of September last, and having proceeded on that and subsequent days, with two adjournments, until the twenty-fourth day of October instant, to hear and take in writing the evidence produced before me by the Petitioner and Respondent respectively, a copy whereof is hereto appended, I did on the day last mentioned at the place aforesaid, after having examined said evidence and proceedings upon said Petition and heard the parties by their Counsel respectively, and deliberated thereon, determine and adjudge that the Respondent whose Election was complained of by said Petition was not duly returned or elected, and that the Election so complained of by Petitioner was void.

And I do now hereby certify to the Honorable, the Speaker of the House of Commons the foregoing determination accompanied by a true copy of the notes of the evidence taken at the trial of said Petition, the whole to avail as of right, and as by Law provided.

Richmond 24th October, 1874.

M. DOHERTY,
J. S. C. & J. E. C.

And I, the Judge, have the honor to report to the Honorable the Speaker that no corrupt practice has been proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of any candidate at the said Election, and that there is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said Election.

That *Joseph Beigue, Henry Wayland, Jean Guilmette, — Desmandis, and Salmon Willard* were proved at the trial to have been guilty of certain corrupt practices, to wit: bribery.

All which is respectfully reported.

M. DOHERTY,
J. S. C. & J. E. C.

JOLIETTE CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

(Translation).

ELECTION COURT.

"CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT 1873."

Election of a Member of the House of Commons of Canada, for the Electoral District of Joliette

Dominion of Canada, }
Province of Quebec, }
Montreal Division }
To wit: }

AMABLE BEAUPRÉ,

vs.

Petitioner,

LOUIS FRANÇOIS GEORGE BABY,

Respondent.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada;

I, the undersigned, the Honourable *L. A. Olivier*, one of the Judges of the Superior Court in and for Lower Canada, now the Province of Quebec and one of the Judges of the Election Court for the Division of Montreal charged with the trial of the Election Petition aforesaid, certify as follows:

At a Court held for the trial of the Election Petition of the said *Amable Beupré*, at Joliette, in the County of Joliette, before the Honourable *L. A. Olivier*, one of the Judges of the Superior Court in and for Lower Canada, now the Province of Quebec, and one of the Judges of the Election Court for the Division of Montreal, on Wednesday the twenty-eighth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy four.

The Court, after having heard the parties by their Advocates, on the said Petition of the said *Amable Beupré*, on the evidence submitted to the Court, on the twenty-sixth and the twenty-seventh days of the month of October instant, and on the respective declarations also laid before the Court, by the Respondent, on the twenty-seventh day of October instant and by the Petitioner on this day, mutually consenting that the last Election of a Member of the House of Commons of Canada which took place for the Electoral District of Joliette, at which the Respondent was, on the Second day of February last declared elected to represent the said Electoral District of Joliette in the said House of Commons of Canada, be declared to have been null and void, and the said Petitioner desisting from his claim to be declared duly elected at the said Election, and having thereon fully deliberated;

Whereas it appears from the evidence that, during the said Election means of corruption were employed by partizans of Respondent and that corrupt practices were committed by them, for the purpose of inducing by corruption, electors to vote for the Respondent and of preventing other electors from voting for the Petitioner and that in fact certain electors with respect to whom the said corrupt practices were committed, voted for the Respondent, and others refrained from voting for the Petitioner;

Whereas the Respondent, by his declaration in writing submitted to this Court, hath consented that his said Election be declared void by this Court, by reason of unlawful acts committed and practiced in the said Election, by partizans of the Respondent, but without any participation on the part of the latter; and the Petitioner by his written declaration also laid before this Court, hath consented that the said Election be declared void, withdrawing the demand made in the said Petition that he be declared duly elected at the said Election;

Doth in consequence declare and adjudge that the said last Election of a Member of the House of Commons of Canada for the Electoral District of Joliette, at which Election the said Respondent was on the Second day of February last declared and returned elected to represent the said Electoral District of Joliette, in the said House of Commons of Canada, by *Charles Gaspard Beaudoin*, Returning Officer at the said Election for the said Electoral District, was and is void. And the Court directs and adjudges that the costs and expenses incurred by the said Petitioner on and in relation to the said Petition be to him paid and reimbursed by the Respondent.

Dated at Joliette, this 6th November, 1874.

L. A. OLIVIER.
J. S. C. and Judge of the Election Court, Division of Montreal.

SOUTH NORFOLK CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, November 16, 1874.

SIR,—I have the honor to enclose a copy of the evidence taken before me at the trial of the Controverted Election for South Norfolk and to report:—

That the Election was declared void for corrupt practices by Agents of the Respondent.

That no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed with the knowledge or consent of any candidate at such Election, and that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said Election.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedt. servt.,

THOMAS GALT,
J.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

CENTRE WELLINGTON CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, November 17, 1874.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you that the trial of the Controverted Election for the Centre Riding of the County of Wellington took place before me at Guelph on Tuesday, November 3rd, 1874.

That my decision and judgment were—

That *George Turner Orton*, the Respondent, was not duly elected or returned and that this Election was void.

That no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed with the knowledge or consent of the Respondent.

That corrupt practices did not extensively prevail at said Election.

That the Respondent do pay the Petitioners costs, save and except such costs as may be on taxation shewn to have been properly incurred by the Respondent in consequence of the allegations as to a scrutiny of votes or the polling of illegal votes and the prayer for the seat as claimed by and stated in the Petition, which allegations and claims were abandoned by Petitioners at the opening of the trial, which costs are to be paid to the Respondent or offset against Petitioners' costs.

That *James M. Fraser, Edward Gairnor, Andrew Forester, James Smith, Michael Kerby, Aaron Baker, James Kerby, Jeremiah Hallett, David B. Kelly* and *Bernard Campbell* were proved in my judgment to have been guilty of corrupt practices.

I enclose herewith a copy of the notes of the evidence.

I have the honor to remain, Sir,

Your obedt. servt.,

JOHN. H. HAGARTY,
Chief Justice Court of Common Pleas for Ontario.

The Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

NORTH RIDINGS OF LEEDS AND GRENVILLE CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, 19th November. 1874.

SIR,—I have the honor to enclose a copy of the evidence given before me at Brockville on the trial of the Controverted Election for the North Riding of Leeds and North Riding of Grenville.

I have also to report that the Election was declared by me to be void on the ground of corrupt practices by the Agents of the Respondent, *Charles Frederick Ferguson*.

Also, that I find that such practices were without the knowledge of the Respondent.

I also find that there was no evidence of corrupt practices generally.

I ordered the Respondent to pay the costs.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedt. servt.,

THOMAS GALT,

J.

The Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons, Ottawa.

COLCHESTER CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Dominion of Canada, }
 Province of Nova Scotia, }
 County of Colchester. }

In the matter of the Controverted Election between

FREDERICK M. PEARSON,
Petitioner.

AND

THOMAS MACKAY,
Respondent.

I, *Alexander James*, one of the Judges appointed under the provisions of the Controverted Elections Act of 1873, for the trial of Controverted Elections in the Province of Nova Scotia, to whom was assigned, under Section 8 of said Act, the duty of trying the Controverted Election aforesaid, do hereby certify to the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons for the Dominion of Canada, that I have performed that duty, and that on the fourteenth day of November instant, at the conclusion of a trial of thirteen days duration at which witnesses were examined on behalf of the Petitioner and Respondent respectively, I did determine and publicly declare the Election of the said Respondent *Thomas Mackay*, as a Member of the House of Commons for said County of Colchester, to be void for bribery by Agents,—and I do annex hereto a copy of my notes of the evidence given in such cause.

And whereas charges of corrupt practices were made in the Petition against the Respondent and his Agents, I do hereby under Section 20 of said Act report to the Honorable the Speaker, that no corrupt practice was proved at such trial to have been committed by, or with the knowledge and consent of any Candidate at such Election.

And further that the names of the persons who have been proved at such trial guilty of corrupt practices are as follows, viz.:—*Martin Smith* for bribery of *Watson Vance* with eight dollars; *William A. Fletcher* for an offer to bribe *Samuel W. Cudden*; *Samuel Lindsay* for bribery of *Samuel Brown* with five dollars; *Johnston McCallum* for bribery of *Henry Snook* with eight dollars, and *Graham Murray* for bribery of *Daniel Lynds* with eight dollars; and that said *Samuel Lindsay*, *Johnston McCallum*, and *Graham Murray* were proved to have been Agents of the Respondent.

And I do further report that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the Election to which the Petition relates.

Dated at Halifax, in the Province of Nova Scotia, this 21st day of November, A. D., 1874.

ALEX. JAMES.

The Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

NORTH VICTORIA CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons:

SIR,—In pursuance of the Controverted Elections Act, 1873, I beg to certify to you in relation to the Election for the North Riding of the County of Victoria held on the 29th day of January last that a Petition was duly presented under the Statute against the return of *James Maclellan*, Esq., a Member to represent the said North Riding of the County of Victoria in the House of Commons of Canada.

That the trial of such Petition came on before me at the Court House in the Town of Lindsay in the County of Victoria on Wednesday, the fourth day of November, instant, and continued by adjournment from day to day, until Tuesday the tenth day of November then following.

At the conclusion of the said trial on the day last aforesaid I determined that the said Election was void, and I certify such determination to you pursuant to the Statute.

I append hereto a copy of my notes of the evidence at the trial.

I have the honor to be,

Your obed't. serv't.,

JOS. C. MORRISON,

Judge of the Court of Queen's Bench, Ont.

TORONTO, 26 Nov., 1874.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons,

Ottawa,

SIR,—In pursuance of the Controverted Elections Act, 1873, in addition to the Certificate herewith sent you, that the Election for the North Riding of the County of Victoria, held on the 29th day of January last, at which *James Maclellan*, Esquire, was returned as a Member in the said Riding to serve in the House of Commons of Canada, was void, I beg to repeat as to the trial before me of the Petition in relation to such Election under the said Act:

(a.) That no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the Candidates at the Election to which the Petition relates.

(b.) That no person in the said trial has been proved to have been guilty of any corrupt practice at such Election.

(c.) That I have not reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said Election, but on the contrary I have reason to believe that they did not so prevail.

I think it my duty to make a special Report in relation to the proceedings had before me on the trial of this Election Petition.

The trial commenced on Wednesday the 4th day of November instant, and continued until the tenth day of the same month.

The total number of votes polled at the Election for *Mr. Maclellan*, the Respondent, was five hundred and sixty-four and the number for *Mr. Cameron*, the Petitioner, was five hundred and sixty, making the majority for the Respondent, four.

That upon the trial evidence was given as to the charges of corrupt practices by the Respondent and his Agent which evidence I determined to be insufficient to establish such charges.

That upon such proceeding with the scrutiny of votes polled at the Election, nine votes were struck off from those polled for the Respondent and five votes off those polled for the Petitioner, thus leaving an equality of votes when the Petitioner and Respondent declined to proceed further with the Election. And it was agreed by both the Petitioner and Respondent that it was best for the interest of all parties that the case should be disposed of by my determining the Election to be void, as was proper to do when there was an equality of votes.

The number of votes to be enquired into on either side in the objection taken to them was great, the witnesses were very numerous and the expenses of their attendance such that both parties felt that it would be less burdensome to them, to themselves and the Electors even to have a new Election than to continue that enquiry which would probably be protracted for many days.

I was not prepared to dissent from these views and saw no reason why the parties should not be allowed to carry them out. Neither of the parties asked for the costs of these proceedings.

I therefore adjudged and returned that there was an equality of votes as between the Petitioner and the Respondent, and I finally determined as already reported that the said *James Maclellan* was not duly elected in this that it then appeared that there was an equality of votes between him and said Petitioner, and therefore the said Election was void.

I have the honor to be,

Your obed't. serv't.,

JOS. C. MORRISON,

Judge of the Court of Queen's Bench, Ontario.

TORONTO, 26th Nov., 1874.

NORTH SIMCOE CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Commons, Ottawa.

SIR,—In pursuance of the *Controverted Elections Act*, 1873, I beg to certify to you in relation to the Election for the North Riding of the County of Simcoe, holden on the 29th day of January last, that a Petition was duly presented under the Statute, against the return of *Herman Henry Cook*, Esquire, as Member to represent the said North Riding of the County of Simcoe in the House of Commons of Canada.

That the trial of such Petition came on before me at the Court House in the Town of Barrie in the County of Simcoe, on Tuesday, the tenth day of November instant, and continued by adjournment until Wednesday the eleventh day of November then following.

At the conclusion of the said trial on the day last aforesaid, I determined that the said Election was void, and I certify such determination to you pursuant to the Statute.

I append hereto a copy of my notes of the evidence at the trial, and my adjudication thereon.

I have the honor to be

Your obed't. serv't.,

JOHN. W. GWYNNE,

J. C. P., Ontario.

Toronto, Nov. 27th, 1874.

TORONTO, Nov. 27th, 1874.

SIR,—In addition to my Certificate of adjudication upon the trial of the North Riding of Simcoe Election Petition, herewith transmitted to you, I have the honor to report as follows:—

Firstly, That on the trial of the said Election Petition, no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed by, or with the knowledge or consent of any candidate at such Election.

Secondly, That no evidence was offered before me of corrupt practices having extensively prevailed at the said Election, and therefore I cannot report whether or not corrupt practices have, or whether or not there is reason to believe that they have extensively prevailed at the said Election.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN W. GWYNNE,

Judge of Court of Common Pleas.

The Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons,
Ottawa.

 NIAGARA CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, Nov. 30th, 1874.

SIR,—I have the honor to report to you that the trial of the Controverted Election Petition for the Town of Niagara, with the Township of Niagara attached thereto, took place before me at Niagara on 20th October last and two following days.

That my judgment was:—That the Respondent *Josiah B. Plumb* was not duly elected and that said Election was void.

That no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed with the knowledge or consent of the Respondent.

That corrupt practices did not extensively prevail at said Election.

That *William Longhurst*, *Daniel Lowry* and *Robert Best* were guilty of corrupt practices. And I ordered that the Respondent should pay the Petitioner's costs, except as to witnesses summoned in attendance respecting any charge of undue influence, threatening with loss of office, salary or income, or the opening or supporting of any house of entertainment for the accommodation or treating of Electors, such charges being unwarrantably made.

I have the honor to remain, Sir,

Your obedt. servt.,

JOHN H. HAGARTY,

Chief Justice, Court of Common Pleas, of Ontario.

I enclose herewith a copy of my notes of the evidence.

This Report would have been made earlier, but that appeal against my decision was lodged, and has only this day been allowed to be withdrawn.

The Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

 L'ASSOMPTION CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

Dominion of Canada, }
 Province of Quebec, } *Re* COUNTY OF L'ASSOMPTION.
 Montreal Division. }

LUDGER FOREST,

AND

Petitioner,

HILAIRE HURTEAU, *Respondent.*

I, *Francis Godschall Johnson*, Judge for the Superior Court for Lower Canada, and an Election Judge of the Montreal Division named to try this Petition do hereby certify to the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons in conformity with the provisions of section 19 of the Controverted Elections Act, 1873, that on Tuesday the twenty-fourth day of November eighteen hundred and seventy-four, at the Court House at the Village of L'Assomption, at the conclusion of the trial of this Election Petition I did determine that Hilaire Hurteau, the Respondent, was not duly returned or elected, and that the return made to the Writ of Election is void; and that the said Respondent should pay the costs of the said contestation, and I further append hereto a copy of the notes of evidence given, and the admissions and declarations made by the parties respectively at the said trial.

And I further report that no corrupt practices were proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of either candidate.

And I further report that the names of the persons who have been proved at the trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices are: *Onulphe Peltier* and *Achille Archambault*. And I further report that I have no reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the Election to which the said Petition related.

F. G. JOHNSON,

J.

Dated at Montreal the second day of December, 1874.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

 KINGSTON CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, December 3rd, 1874.

SIR,—In pursuance of the Controverted Elections Act of 1873, I beg to certify to you in relation to the Election for the Electoral District of the City of Kingston held on the 22nd and 29th days of January, 1874,—

That a Petition was duly presented under the said Statute against the return of Sir John Alexander Macdonald, K. C. B., as Member to represent the said Electoral District of the City of Kingston, in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada.

That the trial of such Petition came on before me one of the Election Judges at the Court House in the City of Kingston on Tuesday the seventeenth day of November, 1874, and was adjourned until the eighteenth day of November, 1874.

At the conclusion of the said trial I determined that the said Election was void, and I now certify such determination to you in pursuance of the Statute. I append hereto a copy of my notes of the evidence taken on the trial of the said Petition.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedt. servt.,

WM. B. RICHARDS,

C. J.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons,
Dominion of Canada, Ottawa.

TORONTO, December 3rd, 1874.

SIR,—In pursuance of the *Controverted Elections Act of 1873*, in addition to the Certificate herewith sent you that the Election for the Electoral District of the City of Kingston, held on the twenty-second and twenty-ninth days of January last, at which *Sir John Alexander Macdonald, K. C. B.* was returned as a Member for the said Electoral District of the City of Kingston, in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada was void, I beg to report:

(a). That no corrupt practice has been proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of any Candidate at such Election.

(b). That the Respondent by his Agents has been guilty of bribery at such Election, but they were not his authorized Agents for that purpose, and no corrupt practices have been proven to have been committed at such Election by or with the knowledge and consent of the Respondent.

(c). That *Patrick Harty, Isaac Noble, Thomas Hanly, and Armstrong McCormick* were proved at the said trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices at the said Election, and

(d). There is reason to believe that corrupt practices prevailed extensively at the Election to which the Petition relates.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

WM. B. RICHARDS,

C. J.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons,
Dominion of Canada, Ottawa.

CHAMBLY CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

(Translation.)

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada:

The undersigned, one of the Judges of the Superior Court for Lower Canada, acting as Judge of the Election Court in the Montreal Division, in the Province of Quebec, under the provisions of the *Controverted Elections Act, 1873*, has the honor to report:—

That on the Seventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, there was presented to the said Election Court in the said Montreal Division, by *Pierre Basile Benoit, Esquire*, farmer, of the Parish of St. Hubert, in the Electoral District of Chambly, in the Montreal Division, Province of Quebec, duly qualified as elector to vote at the Election of Members of the House of Commons of Canada, an Election Petition complaining of the Election of *Amable Jodoin, junior, Esquire*, returned as having been duly elected Member to represent the County or Electoral Division of Chambly in the said House of Commons, and, of the return of which Election, notice was published on the Seventh of March last in the *Canada Gazette*.

That the grounds adduced by the said *Pierre Basile Benoit*, in support of his said Petition were the employment of illegal and corrupt practices, as well by the said *Amable Jodoin, junior*, himself, as by his relations and friends; and he alleged that after rejecting the illegal votes of persons not qualified to vote, deprived of their right of voting, and of those whose votes should be rejected, the said *Amable Jodoin*, instead of having a majority of the votes of the electors of the said Electoral District, would be found to be in the minority.

The said *Pierre Basile Benoit* by his said Petition prayed that the Election of the said *Amable Jodoin* should be declared null and void, and that he himself should be declared to have been elected, and to be the representative of the said Electoral District of Chambly in the House of Commons of the Dominion, at the said Election for which he was a candidate.

The said Election Court appointed the Twenty-second day of September last for the examination of the contestation of the said Election, and the undersigned was charged with that examination.

The Petitioner caused several witnesses to be heard, and it appears from their evidence that the purchase of votes by the friends of the said *Amable Jodoin* had been practised to a considerable amount, and that there had been spent by them for that purpose about ten thousand dollars; nevertheless it does not appear that the said *Amable Jodoin* had any participation therein, and the said Petitioner has not persisted in his prayer to be declared legally elected.

The said *Amable Jodoin* by a written declaration, fyled on the Twenty fourth of September last, declared that he was willing that his said Election should be held void by reason of the acts and practices of his adherents, with costs against him.

In consequence of the proof made as above mentioned, the undersigned in his said quality of Judge of the Election Court declared as he now declares the said Election of the said *Amable Jodoin* as representative of the Electoral District or County of Chambly in the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada, null and of no effect, and made it void with costs against the said *Amable Jodoin*, rejecting the remainder of the conclusions of the Petitioner.

And in order to conform to the requirements of Section 20, of "*The Controverted Elections Act, 1873*," the undersigned reports that it appears that several persons have been guilty of corrupt practices, and he takes the liberty of referring to the notes of evidence, a copy of which accompanies the present Report, reserving to the undersigned the right to fyle a list of the same at a later date, if required.

I have the honor to be,

Your obdt. servant.,

J. U. BEAUDRY, J.

Montreal, Judges' Chambers, 4th December, 1874.

EAST TORONTO CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, December 5th, 1874.

To the Honorable

The Speaker, House of Commons, Dominion of Canada, Ottawa.

SIR,—In pursuance of the Controverted Elections Act of 1873, I beg to certify to you in relation to the Election for the Electoral District of East Toronto, held on the twenty-second and twenty-ninth days of January, 1874, that a Petition was duly presented under the said Statute against the return of *John O'Donohoe*, Esquire, as Member to represent the Electoral District of East Toronto in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, that the trial of such Petition came on before me one of the Election Judges at the Court House in the City of Toronto in the said Electoral District on Tuesday the twenty-ninth day of September 1874, and was by me adjourned until Thursday the twenty-sixth day of November 1874.

At the conclusion of the said trial, I determined that the said Election was void. And I now certify such determination to you in pursuance of the Statute. I append hereto a copy of my notes of the evidence taken on the trial of the said Petition.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obdt. Servt.

WM. B. RICHARDS,

C.3.

TORONTO. 5th December, 1874.

SIR,—In pursuance of the Controverted Election's Act of 1873, in addition to the Certificate herewith sent you, that the Election for the Electoral District of East Toronto held on the twenty-second and twenty-ninth of January last at which *John O'Donohoe* Esquire was returned as a Member for the Electoral District, of East Toronto in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, was void.

I beg to report:—

(a). That no corrupt practice has been proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of any Candidate at such Election.

(b). That *John Barron* and *Daniel Kelly* have been proved at the trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices at such Election.

(c). I cannot say from the evidence given before me that there is reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said Election.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obdt. Servt.

WM. B. RICHARDS,

C.J.

The Honourable

The Speaker of the House of Commons,
Ottawa.

HALTON CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

IN THE ELECTION COURT.

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral Division of the County of Halton holden on the twenty-second and twenty-ninth days of January, A.D. 1874.

Dominion of Canada, }
Province of Ontario, }
To wit:

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada.

I hereby certify that the trial of the Election Petition of *John Stewart* of the Township in the County of Halton, farmer, and *Peter Murkat McKay* of the Town of Milton in the said County, merchant, against the return of *Daniel Black Chisholm* was had before me at the Town of Milton on Tuesday the eighth day of December A.D. 1874 and at the conclusion of such trial I did determine and adjudge that the above-named *Daniel Black Chisholm* was not duly elected and returned at the Election above referred to and that the said Election of the said *Daniel Black Chisholm* was and is void.

J. G. SPRAGGE,
C.

Dated this seventeenth day of December, A.D. 1874.

Dominion of Canada, }
Province of Ontario, }
To wit:

IN THE ELECTION COURT.

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral Division of the County of Halton holden on the twenty-second and twenty-ninth days of January, A.D. 1874.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada.

It being charged in the Petition against the return of *Daniel Black Chisholm* at the above Election that corrupt practices were committed at the said Election, I do hereby report that at the trial of the said Petition it was not proved before me that any corrupt practice had been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of the said *Daniel Black Chisholm*. And I further report that at the said trial it was proved before me that corrupt practices were committed by the following persons namely:—(1) *Archibald Campbell*, and (2) *Samuel Cook*.

I further report that at the said trial upon the opening of the Court it was stated and admitted by the Counsel for the said *Daniel Black Chisholm* that corrupt practice was committed at the said Election by an Agent of the said *Daniel Black Chisholm* for whose acts in the premises he the said *Daniel Black Chisholm* was and is responsible whereby his Election was and is void, but that such corrupt practice was so committed without the knowledge and consent of the said *Daniel Black Chisholm*.

I further report that it did not appear before me that corrupt practices have or that there is reason to believe that they have extensively prevailed at the said Election and I have determined and adjudged that the general costs, charges and expenses of and incidental to the presentation of the said Petition and to the proceedings consequent thereon be paid by the said *Daniel Black Chisholm* saving however thereout the costs of and incidental to the application of the Petitioners to amend their Petition in this matter as to which I give no costs.

J. G. SPRAGGE,
C.

Dated this seventeenth day of December, A.D. 1874.

EAST MIDDLESEX CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

IN THE ELECTION COURT.

CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral Division of the East Riding of the County of Middlesex, holden on the 22nd and 29th days of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

Dominion of Canada, }
Province of Ontario, }
To wit:

To the Honorable, the Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada:

I certify that the trial of the Petition complaining of the return of *Crouel Willson* was laid before

me at the City of London in the County of Middlesex, on Tuesday the fifteenth day of December instant, and that at the conclusion of such trial I did determine and adjudge that the above named *Crowell Willson* was not duly elected and returned at the Election above referred to, and that the said Election of the said *Crowell Willson* was and is void.

And it being charged in the said Petition that corrupt practices were committed at the said Election, I further certify that it has not been proved before me that any corrupt practice has been committed by, or with the knowledge and consent of the said *Crowell Willson*.

I further certify, that at the said trial it was proved before me that corrupt practices have been committed by the following persons viz:—(1) *Thomas Thompson*, and (2) *James Maddigan*.

I further certify, that it appeared to me upon the said trial that there was no reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said Election.

And I have determined and adjudged that all costs, charges, and expenses of and incidental to the presentation of the said Petition, and to the proceedings consequent thereon, shall be paid by the said *Crowell Willson*, he being the party opposing the said Petition.

Dated this 24th day of December, A. D. 1874.

J. G. SPRAGGE,
C.

CITY OF LONDON CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Judgment delivered by His Lordship the Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, on 10th September, 1874.

The evidence has disclosed an enormous amount of bribery and corruption in this constituency.

The number of votes polled for the Respondent were about 1260, and there was direct proof of the expenditure of at least \$9000 on his side, or an average of over seven dollars for each vote. To this sum may be added various small amounts admitted to have been spent by parties in the course of the canvass.

Apart from the question of responsibility on Respondent's part, I am strongly of opinion that there would be sufficient ground for declaring this Election void, as not being free but tainted and avoided by wholesale corruption.

It was not attempted to deny the prevalence of bribery, but it was urged that it was committed by persons for whose act the Respondent was not responsible.

The Respondent did not nominate Committees, but Committees were formed in the different Wards by his friends.

This was a General or Central Committee.

It is clear that Mr. *Dixon*, the Secretary of the Reform Association, and also Secretary of the Respondent's Committee, recognized the Ward Committees, and paid moneys to them for expenses of the Election, being moneys received from Respondent for that purpose, and the expenses of these Committees were matters of discussion between him and Respondent.

I think there is no doubt on the evidence that many of the persons who admit having given money in bribing were Agents of Respondent to the extent of making him responsible for their acts, even though such acts were without his knowledge, and even against his orders.

In Dr. *Hagarty's* case he was a Committee man, three weeks canvassing, had a canvassing book, received from *Dixon*. Some \$600 passed through his hands, mostly received from *Smallman* and *Reaves*, Respondent's partners and Agents, as I will notice hereafter;—received some money from *Dixon* for the Committee of Ward No. 4; paid large sums, such as \$120 for livery stable bills; used to see Respondent every day, and talk to him, as to how he was getting on, but did not speak to him as to the expenses. I have no doubt of this gentleman being an Agent. He deposes to at least nine cases of direct bribery.

H. C. Green also admitted bribery, and would be considered an Agent in my judgment. He was an active canvasser, paid rent for rooms, and was, I consider, well known to be working for Respondent.

Frederic Fitzgerald was active, and canvassing, to Respondent's knowledge, and admits several acts of bribery.

John Campbell, a gentleman who has been Mayor of London, and seconded Respondent's nomination, was undoubtedly such an Agent, and Respondent well knew he was working for him. He admitted several distinct acts of bribery, chiefly in giving money to the wives of voters.

Joseph Broadbent was also an Agent in my judgment, and admitted the most distinct acts of bribery of voters.

James Fitzgerald was an active Committee man, and made returns to the Ward Committee. He was foreman to Mr. *John Campbell*, and admitted paying money to bribe a voter through his wife.

John Doyle was on No. 1 Committee, canvassed for Respondent, and spent \$91 of Committee money. He admits he offered bribes to several, but found they had been offered more before.

Robert Henderson was Chairman of No. 1 Committee; received \$700 for the Ward, and received a small sum \$50 or \$75 from *Dixon* for Ward expenses. He admits one distinct act of bribery of a voter through his wife. He also made lavish disbursements in his Ward.

George Hiscox was canvassing, I consider, with Respondent's knowledge. He admits distinct bribery.

Marvyn Knowlton had influence as a temperance man, and went with Respondent to canvass votes, and Respondent knew, I consider, that he was canvassing for him. He received about \$700, and paid \$500 to one *Robinson*, a foreman in a large oil refinery, as *Robinson* said he had much influence with certain voters, and would like to have \$500, and after consulting *Reaves* he gave him the sum. *Robinson* spent some of it in bribing, and I consider Mr. *Knowlton* in this transaction, if not in other reckless payments, acted corruptly.

William J. Thompson was canvassing for Respondent, and thinks (as I do) that Respondent knew it. He admits several distinct acts of bribery of voters.

John E. Robinson, the man who received the \$500 from *Knowlton*, and who admits having retained \$200 for himself, in my judgment, committed acts of bribery.

Philip Cook was Chairman of a Ward Committee; large sums passed through his hands, and he admits distinct acts of bribery.

John J. Magee, an active canvasser for the Respondent, received about \$900, which he paid away to various people for what he calls "Election purposes." He would give no definition of his understanding of the "purposes," but it seems impossible to suppose that he could have believed the money was to be spent otherwise than corruptly, and in my opinion he must, on these facts, be assumed to know it was corruptly done.

The very numerous acts of bribery proved with complete distinctness, must render it impossible to uphold this Election.

I have now to consider the evidence in which it is sought to render the Respondent personally responsible. He admits having paid \$1150 to Mr. *Dixon* for the expenses that he considered he would be lawfully liable for. There were seven Wards: the constituency consisted of several thousand voters, and he and Mr. *Dixon* consulted as to the amount that probably would be required. At first \$1000 was considered sufficient. Mr. *Dixon* has given us an account of the expenditures of most of this money. Three hundred dollars went for payments to clerks and messengers; there were eight or ten clerks, and the work ran over nearly all January; messengers were also employed. Other items were for coal, furniture, rent of rooms; \$100 to a Mr. *McDonald* a lawyer, who sometimes acted for Mr. *Dixon*, and \$600 to \$700 was paid by him to Committees in the Wards for their expenses, rent of rooms, light, refreshments, vehicles, driving about, canvassing, etc.

I see no reason to think that Respondent or *Dixon* knowingly applied or intended to apply any of this money to illegal purposes.—Respondent further admits having paid to the *Herald* newspaper \$100 for advertising; to the *Free Press* for the same \$110; and to the *Advertiser* for advertising and for bills, posters and printing connected with Election \$625. For ornamental canvass cards, \$20.50; stationery and books \$61.35, total \$946.85.

This would leave his admitted expenditures about \$2100. It was not strongly pressed that such a sum would, under the circumstances, be extravagant, nor am I prepared to hold that it was.

I now turn to another branch of the case affecting the Respondent. Large sums of money were proved to have been received from *Thomas H. Smallman* and *George Reaves*. They were partners with the Respondent in a large oil refining business, called *Reaves & Co.* The Respondent was stated to have been not an active member of the firm. *Smallman* and *Reaves* were shown to have taken a very active and prominent part in promoting Respondent's return. *Reaves* is absent, but *Smallman* was examined. He admitted that between \$5,000 and \$6,000 passed through his hands in the Election contest; of this, he himself furnished \$1,000. Mr. *Edward Harris*, a Barrister and Attorney here, belonged to a legal firm which did business for *Reaves & Co.*, and one of the firm was Respondent's own Solicitor. *Smallman* says that he knew *Harris* was actively interested for Respondent, and he thought him the most likely person to go to for money, and he obtained from him \$4,000 in three or four sums. He never promised to repay it, took no receipt and gave no security; no one suggested his going to *Harris*; Respondent never mentioned *Harris* to him; nothing was elicited from this witness in any way to prove that Respondent knew of the moneys advanced by *Harris*; or any communication between *Smallman* and Respondent as to Election expenses with which *Smallman* was concerned. He proved that Respondent and *Harris* were intimate. He said he paid *Reaves* \$1,500; *Knowlton* \$500; *Dr. Hagarty* \$250; *F. Fitzgerald* \$600; *John Campbell* \$250; *Scandrett* \$500; *W. J. Thompson* \$100; Alderman *Magee* \$600; Alderman *Partridge, jr.*, \$100; *Hiscox* \$50; and spent himself \$150.

All this money he spent for "Election purposes," not asking the parties for what purposes they wanted it.

Mr. *George Harris* proved the great intimacy between his brother *Edward* and Respondent, and that he told his brother the Election could not go on without money. *Edward* asked how much, and witness said \$5,000 would do. He (witness) said he would give \$1,000, but he has not paid any.

The Respondent swears positively that he had no knowledge whatever of any advance of moneys by *Harris*: that he never talked of financial matters with *Smallman* or *Reaves*, and had no reason to think that either was spending large sums in his behalf: never talked with *Harris* about money matters connected with the Election: never knew *Smallman* was in communication with *Harris*; and that it is only within the last fortnight he heard of this payment by *Harris*: that he warned his friends not to spend money illegally or commit him: that he never treated, fearing to break the law: that he canvassed very diligently but never heard or knew anything from which he could suspect there was bribery on his side. He had sold stocks to Mr. *Harris* last fall, on which he still holds \$10,000 of his paper unpaid.

Mr. *Edward Harris* swears that he paid \$4,000 to *Smallman* and \$2,000 to *Reaves* for Election expenses. He had a strong feeling of resentment against Mr. *Carling*, and of friendship for Respondent. He had never before subscribed to an Election beyond \$5 or \$10. On the polling day *Reaves* got the \$2,000. He did not intend to advance over \$4,000, but he got excited. He was very intimate with Respondent: saw him every day during the canvass, but never spoke to him about money then or since the Election; does not think Respondent knew he had paid the money; that he has no claim whatever on Respondent for any of this money and no understanding whatever that he is to be repaid. He says that he never gave a thought how the money was to be expended. He did not go so far in thinking about it as to consider that it would go to buy votes. It was in the atmosphere that much money would be spent on both sides. On polling day

Reaves came in and said their opponents were spending two or three dollars to our one dollar, and then he got \$2,000. Only a fortnight ago he mentioned to one of his partners that he had spent this money.

It is impossible to read the evidence without being convinced that this advance of money by Mr. *Edward Harris* was a most illegal and corrupt proceeding, and I deeply regret that a member of the legal profession should knowingly place in the hands of unscrupulous men a sum like six thousand dollars, to be used in debauching and corrupting a constituency. From his purse has been furnished nearly all the money which in the course of this most startling enquiry, has been proved to have done nearly all the vast amount of mischief and wickedness resulting from extensive bribery.

It is pressed upon me with great force by Mr. *Robinson* for the Petitioner, that notwithstanding the denials of the witnesses, it is impossible in the very nature of things to doubt: First, that the Respondent must have known that bribery was being extensively practiced: and, secondly, the source from which his partners in business must have obtained the money, that the Respondent could not possibly have canvassed, as he says, extensively for three weeks without having come across traces of the bribery and of the expenditure of large sums of money.

I need hardly say that I am much impressed by the force of this reasoning, and that it is difficult to see how, in the nature of things the bribery and the expenditure could both have remained unknown and unsuspected. Actual ignorance of the prevalence of bribery in this case can only be preserved by a wilful and determined resolution to be and remain ignorant by a studious and systematical refusal to listen to anything he hears as to the expenses of the Election; by insisting on the subject being always a forbidden subject of discussion: by shrinking from it, and averting the eyes from it, whenever it appeared to be coming to the light, and by a tacit, if not an express understanding between all the instruments of corruption that the party chiefly interested should be kept ignorant of the wickedness that was being daily practiced. I am compelled to conclude that only by the most rigid adherence to such a stringent system could the Respondent be able, with literal truth, to make the statement of innocence that he has made before me. I am profoundly impressed with a sense of the mischief that may be caused by allowing such a course to be adopted with success, that it must be in effect violating the spirit, while keeping outside the letter of the law. I am also well aware, that to the understandings of the public at large, for whose benefit and guidance laws are enacted, it is not easy to explain satisfactorily how such a course can be adopted by a Candidate for their suffrages, and yet the personal punishment provided by law be escaped. I am not here to deal with the case on moral, but on strictly legal ground; not as I think how the general understanding of intelligent men may regard it, looking at it in its prominent light, but unembarrassed by the heavy sense of responsibility that weighs on one filling my position, a position so forcibly described by the words of a great English Judge, "I cannot imagine to myself a jurisdiction more painful or more responsible than that of a Judge deciding, without the assistance of a jury, that the Candidate has been personally guilty of so grievous an offence."

All the circumstantial evidence, all the probabilities of the case point forcibly to the Respondent's knowledge; all the direct testimony that has been brought forward points the other way.

Witness after witness, after describing the days spent in bribery, winds up with the declaration that he never spoke to the Respondent on any matter connected with money, or with the expenses of the Election. The testimony of *Harris*, *Smallman*, and of the Respondent, declares the latter ignorant of the large payments by the former.

I feel far less difficulty in accepting the Respondent's denial of any knowledge of *Harris'* advances than on the general question of his knowledge of money being illegally spent, without reference to the sources of its supply.

If there were any testimony affirming Respondent's knowledge, or any balancing of evidence on the subject, I do not think I could accept his direct denial against the powerful pressure of the general facts, to say nothing of the general probabilities of the case. The latter would certainly turn the scale against his assertion.

I can appreciate the embarrassment of a jury, where a witness positively declares that he did not see, and was actually ignorant of the occurrence of an event, which, according to all human probabilities, he must have witnessed, and must have been cognizant of.

In such a case, they can perhaps only accept his denial, on the assumption that he wilfully shut his eyes and ears, and was resolved not to see or hear it. I feel very much in the same embarrassed state, with a larger measure of doubt and hesitation than I remember to have troubled me during a long legal life. I have come to the conclusion not to report the Respondent as personally guilty of the abominable and shameless conduct that has disgraced the last Election for this City.

I am pleased to remember that this finding, with all other findings, can be reviewed by the Court of which I am a member; and, if on the evidence my decision should have been the other way, the learned Judges can so decide.

The Court can decide on the question of fact as readily as the Judge at the trial. There is no contradictory evidence—nothing will depend on the demeanor of the witnesses or their manner of giving their evidence.

An important question may also arise on the meaning of the Statute of 1873, governing this Election. The 18th section reads as follows:—

No Candidate at any Election shall, directly or indirectly, employ any means of corruption by giving any sum of money, office, place, employment, gratuity, reward or any bond, bill or note, or conveyance of land, or any promise of the same; nor shall he, either by himself or his authorized agent for that purpose, threaten any elector with losing any office, salary, income, or advantage, with the intent to corrupt or bribe any elector to vote for such Candidate, or to keep back any elector from voting for any other Candidate; nor shall he open and support, or

cause to be opened and supported at his costs and charges, any house of public entertainment for the accommodation of the electors. And if any representative returned to the House of Commons is proved guilty before the proper tribunal, of using any of the above means to procure his Election, his Election shall be thereby declared void, and he shall be incapable of being a Candidate, or being elected or returned during that Parliament.

Mr. Harrison, in speaking to the agency question, argued, as I understood him, that in this section, nothing but such personal bribery as would disqualify him could void the Election.

I hold that bribery was committed by Agents of Respondent sufficient to void his Election, whether he knew or did not know of their acts.

If I be right in so holding, then perhaps it may be argued for the Petitioner, that if, in the words of the section, the Respondent "is found guilty of using any of the above means to procure his Election" his Election shall "be thereby declared void, and he shall be incapable of being a Candidate, or being elected or returned during that Parliament." In other words, to void the Election, I must find that the Respondent directly or indirectly employed means of corruption by giving any sum of money.

If I so find, as I do in the present case, it may be argued that the conclusion is irresistible—that as he is found guilty of using the prohibited means to secure his Election, not only is his Election to be declared void, but he shall be incapable of being a Candidate. The clause draws no distinction as to personal knowledge or assent. It may be, therefore, that the disqualifying must follow the voidance of the Election. The Act is peculiarly worded.

The Election is set aside, and all the costs must be paid by the Respondent. There were the most ample grounds to warrant the Petition, and the personal charges made against the Respondent, and I see no reason for adopting Mr. Harrison's argument, that the costs should be apportioned, not all the charges being proved. It was at the suggestion of the Court that Petitioner stopped calling further witnesses to prove bribery. I shall report that the Respondent was not duly returned, and that the Election was void; that no corrupt practice has been proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the Respondent. That *Daniel Hagarty, Henry C. Green, Frederick A. Fitzgerald, John Campbell, Joseph Broadbent, James Fitzgerald, John Doyle, Robert Henderson, George Hiscox, Marvyn Knowlton, William J. Thompson, John E. Robinson, Philip Cook, John J. Magee, Thomas H. Smallman, George Reaves and Edward Harris* have been proved, in my judgment, to have been guilty of corrupt practices, and that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at this said Election.

The trial is over now, and I may venture to hope that these shameful disclosures will prove the death blow to the practice of bribery in this, if not in other constituencies. Public opinion will, it is hoped, at last stamp with emphatic disapproval, the practice of bribery. The briber and the bribed should stand on precisely the same footing. Many will, with perfect justice, attribute a far larger blame to men of education and position who tempt the ignorant and the poor to the sin of selling their votes to the highest bidder.

THURSDAY, September 10th, 1874.

FORMAL FINDINGS.

1. That the Respondent, through and by his Agents in that behalf, did employ means of corruption in the bribery of voters.

2. That the Respondent was not duly returned or elected, and that the Election was void.

That no corrupt practice has been proved to have been committed with the knowledge or consent of the Respondent. That *Daniel Hagarty, Henry C. Green, Frederick A. Fitzgerald, John Campbell, Joseph Broadbent, James Fitzgerald, John Doyle, Robert Henderson, George Hiscox, Marvyn Knowlton, William J. Thompson, John S. Robinson, Philip Cook, John J. Magee, Thomas H. Smallman, George Reaves, and Edward Harris*, have been proved, in my judgment, to have been guilty of corrupt practices.

That corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at said Election.

That the Respondent do pay all the costs.

JOHN H. HAGARTY,
C. J. C. P.

CROWN OFFICE, C. P.

TORONTO, January 20th, 1875.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons
For the Dominion of Canada,
Ottawa, Ont.

Sir,—I have the honor to inform you that the trial of the Controverted Election Petition for the Electoral Division of the City of London, on the Petition of George Pritchard against the return of *John Walker* as a Member of the House of Commons was tried at London before the Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas on the seventh day of August last and succeeding days,—that the finding of the said Chief Justice at said trial was brought before the said Court of Common Pleas by way of appeal therefrom by said Petitioner, *George Pritchard*, and also by the Respondent, *John Walker*,—that the said parties were heard before the said Court by their Counsel. and that by the judgment of the said Court, it was ordered:—

1st. That the said *John Walker* was not duly returned and elected at the late Election of the City of London to represent the said City as a Member of the House of Commons.

2nd. That the Election of the said *John Walker* was and is declared to have been void by reason of divers acts of bribery committed by the said *John Walker* by and through his Agents at the said Election and with his knowledge and consent.

3rd. That the said *John Walker* did use and employ means of corruption at the said Election to procure his Election by his Agents—authorized by him to procure his Election at the said Election, giving divers sums of money with the knowledge and consent of him the said *John Walker* to divers electors at the said Election with intent to corrupt and bribe such electors respectively to vote for the said *John Walker* at the said Election.

4th. That corrupt practices have been proved to have been committed by and with the knowledge and consent of the said *John Walker* at the said Election, which corrupt practices consisted in the bribing of divers electors of the said Election by the Agents of the said *John Walker*, with his knowledge and consent, to vote for him the said *John Walker* at said Election.

5th. That Dr. *Daniel Hagarty*, *Henry C. Greene*, *Frederick A. Fitzgerald*, *John Campbell*, *Joseph Broadbent*, *James Fitzgerald*, *John Doyle*, *Robert Henderson*, *George Hiscox*, *Marvyn Knowlton*, *William J. Thompson*, *John Robinson*, *Philip Cook*, *John J. Magee*, *Thomas H. Smallman*, *George Reaves*, and *Edward Harris* have been proved to have been guilty of corrupt practices, and further that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said Election, and the said Court did order that the said *John Walker* do pay to the said *George Pritchard* the Petitioner all the costs of the said trial and of his the said *John Walker's* own appeal, and that the deposit paid into Court by the said *George Pritchard* upon his own appeal should be returned to him the said *George Pritchard* or to his Attorney, and that each party should pay their own costs of the appeal of him the said *George Pritchard*.

All which I now have the honor to certify to you pursuant to the Statute in that behalf, together with a copy of the notes of the evidence taken at said trial at the City of London aforesaid, and a duplicate of the Rule of Court granted in the matter of said appeal.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obed't. servt.,

M. B. JACKSON.

Clerk of the Crown and of the Court of Common Pleas for Ontario.

SOUTH HURON CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

I declare the Election void on the ground of bribery by Agents.

I find that the Respondent was not himself guilty of corrupt practices.

I order the Respondent to pay the costs of the Petitioners.

THOMAS GALT,
J.

CROWN OFFICE, C. P.,
TORONTO, January 21st, 1875.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons
For the Dominion of Canada,
Ottawa, Ont.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you that at the trial of the Controverted Election Petition for the Electoral Division of the South Riding of the County of Huron on the Petition of *David Hood Ritchie*, and *Joseph Acheson* against the return of *Malcolm Colin Cameron* as a Member of the House of Commons, was tried at the Town of Goderich before the Honorable *Thomas Galt* one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas on the twentieth and twenty-first days of October last; that the finding of the said Judge at said trial was brought before the said Court of Common Pleas by way of appeal therefrom by the said Petitioners *David Hood Ritchie*, and *Joseph Acheson*, and that the said parties, Petitioners and Respondent, were heard before the said Court by their Counsel, and that by the judgment of the said Court, it was ordered that the said Election was void on the grounds of bribery by Agents—that the Respondent was not himself guilty of corrupt practices, and that the Respondent should pay the costs of the Petitioners, and the said Court did further order that each party should pay their own costs of said appeal and that the deposit paid into Court by the said *David Hood Ritchie*, and *Joseph Acheson* should be returned to them or their Attorney.

All which I now have the honor to certify to you pursuant to the Statute in that behalf together with a copy of the notes of the evidence taken at said trial at the said Town of Goderich, and a duplicate of the Rule of Court granted in the matter of said appeal.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

M. B. JACKSON,

Clerk of the Crown and Pleas of the Court of Common Pleas for Ontario.

TWO MOUNTAINS CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Canada,
Province of Quebec. }

CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

Re COUNTY OF TWO MOUNTAINS.

JAMES WATTS,
AND
WILFRED PRÉVOST,
Petitioner,
Respondent.

To the Honorable
The Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada.

I, the undersigned, Judge of the Election Court named to try the Election Petition in this case, have the honor to report and certify:—That on the fourteenth day of January instant, at St. Scholastique in the Election Court then and there held for the trial of the said Petition, I did adjudge and determine that the said Respondent was not duly elected or returned, and that his Election was void; and I append a copy of the said judgment and determination and a copy of the notes of evidence taken at the said trial; and I further certify that no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of either of the Candidates at the said Election; and that the names of the persons who have been proved at the trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices are *Alfred Trudel* and *Olivier Paquette*; and that I have no reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said Election.

F. G. JOHNSON,
J. S. C.

Montreal, 23rd January, 1875.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that in conformity with the Act 36 Victoria, Chapter 28, Section 24, he had issued his several Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out new Writs of Election for the said Electoral Districts, respectively.

And the said Certificates and Reports were ordered to be entered in the Journals of this House.

He also informed The House, that he had received from the Hon. Chief Justice Wood, one of the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to the *Controverted Elections Act, 1873*, a Certificate and Report relating to the Election—

For the Electoral District of Marquette.

And the same was read as follows:—

MARQUETTE CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

I certify that the foregoing, and appended hereto, are the correct copies of the proceedings and notes of evidence had and taken before me at the sittings of the Election Court in and for the Province of Manitoba, held at High Bluff on this the 25th day of August, 1874, to try and determine the Election Petition of *Joseph Ryan* in respect of the Election of a Member for the House of Commons of Canada, held on the Seventh day of February, 1874, and continued unto the thirteenth day of the same month—both days inclusive—in and for the Electoral District of Marquette, in the said Province, and I further certify that at the said Election the said *Joseph Ryan* did receive, and that there was recorded for him a majority of the legal votes polled at the said Election, and that his majority of such votes over the legal votes recorded for *Robert Cunningham*, the only other Candidate at the said Election, was and is twenty-two votes, and that therefore the said *Joseph Ryan* was and is duly elected the Member for the House of Commons from the said Electoral District of Marquette at the said Election to serve in the Third Parliament of Canada, and I further certify that the grounds of this my determination appear in the foregoing proceedings, evidence and judgment.

E. B. WOOD,
C.J.

Dated at High Bluff, in the County of Marquette, this 25th day of August, 1874.

To the Honorable
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Mr. Speaker also informed The House, that in conformity with the Act 36 Victoria, Chapter 28, Section 24, he had issued his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, directing him to alter the Return to the Writ of Election for the said Electoral District of Marquette, bearing date the seventeenth day of February last, by expunging the name of *Robert Cunningham* therefrom, and substituting in lieu thereof, the name of

Joseph Ryan, as the Member duly elected to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of Canada in the present Parliament; and that the Clerk of The House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery a Certificate, which was read as follows:—

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CROWN IN CHANCERY FOR CANADA,
OTTAWA, 28th January, 1875.

This is to certify that in virtue of the Warrant of the Speaker of the House of Commons, bearing date the twenty-second day of January instant, and to me directed to that effect, I have altered the Return to the Writ of Election for the Electoral District of Marquette, Province of Manitoba, bearing date the seventeenth day of February last, by expunging the name of *Robert Cunningham* therefrom, and substituting in lieu thereof, the name of *Joseph Ryan*, as the Member duly elected to represent the said Electoral District in the House of Commons of Canada, in the present Parliament.

R. POPE,
(L.S.) Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Canada.

To Alfred Patrick, Esq.,
The Clerk of the House of Commons of Canada,
Ottawa.

And the said Certificates and Report were ordered to be entered in the Journals of this House.

Mr. Speaker further informed The House, that he had received from the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to the *Controverted Elections Act*, 1873, Certificates and Reports relating to the Elections—

For the Electoral District of Levis;
For the Electoral District of Cumberland;
For the Electoral District of the County of Cardwell; and
For the Electoral District of Pictou.
And the same were read as follows:—

LEVIS CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

IN THE ELECTION COURT.

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTION ACT, 1873.

Canada,
Province of Quebec, }
The Quebec Division. }

The Election Petition of the Electoral District of Levis.

JULIEN CHABOT.

Petitioner.

AND

LOUIS HONORÉ FRÉCHETTE,

Respondent.

To the Honorable *Timothy Warren Anglin*, Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada:—

I have the honor to report that a Petition, complaining of the undue Election and Return of *Louis Honoré Fréchette*, Esquire, as a Member of the House of Commons of Canada for the Electoral Division of Levis in the Province of Quebec having been presented by *Julien Chabot*, Esquire, a Candidate at the said Election, on the ground of want of property qualification in the sitting Member, and also, of corrupt practices by him at the said Election, such proceedings were had thereupon that on the twenty-second day of April last, the Election Court for the Quebec Division, ordered that the said Petition should be tried before me in the Town Levis, on the twelfth day of May following, at eleven of the clock in the fore-noon.

That at the place and time prescribed I proceeded with the trial of the said Petition, and sat from day to day until the thirtieth day of May, when the Petitioner moved with the consent of the Respondent that the Petition be finally heard on its merits on the twelfth day of June following.

That on the twelfth day of June I heard on its merits the said Petition. That in the exercise of the power conferred by the 23rd Sec. of the *Controverted Elections Act* 1873, I submitted for the consideration and determination of the Election Court a question of law arising on the property qualification of the Respondent.

That on the third day of July the Election Court rendered its decision on the question submitted.

On the ninth day of July instant I finally disposed of the said Petition by the following decision:—
“Having heard the parties by their Counsel and maturely weighed the Petition and the evidence adduced in support thereof and upon the whole maturely deliberated, I do hereby determine that the Petitioner has failed to prove the allegations of his Petition, and that the sitting Member was duly returned. I do condemn the Petitioner to pay the costs of the said Petition, the trial, and the other proceedings therein.”

Which decision with a copy of the notes of evidence and of the essential proceedings before the Election Court I have the honor to certify in pursuance of the 19th Section of the Controverted Elections' Act to avail as to law and justice shall appertain.

I allowed the delay granted for going into revision to elapse before transmitting this Certificate.

The whole respectfully submitted,

A. STUART,

Election Judge.

Quebec, 20th July, 1874.

CUMBERLAND CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Dominion of Canada, }
Province of Nova Scotia, }
County of Cumberland. }

In the matter of the Controverted Election for the House of Commons.

Between

GEORGE HIBBARD,

Petitioner.

AND

CHARLES TUPPER,

Respondent.

I, *Alexander James* one of the Judges appointed under the provisions of the Controverted Elections Act of 1873 for the trial of Controverted Elections in the Province of Nova Scotia, to whom was assigned under section 8 of said Act the duty of trying the Controverted Election for the County of Cumberland, do hereby certify to the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada that *Charles Tupper* the Respondent in the above cause whose Election and Return were complained of in the Petition was duly returned and elected for said County of Cumberland on the fifth day of February last past, and that no other person was duly returned or elected.

And because I am unable to annex to this my Certificate a copy of the evidence taken at the trial, as required by law, inasmuch as no trial has been held, and no evidence taken in said cause, it becomes my duty to report specially to the Honorable the Speaker the special circumstances attending the investigation so committed to me and my reasons for certifying that the said *Charles Tupper* was duly elected as aforesaid.

And I do report as follows:—

The Election in this case was sought to be avoided on the ground of corrupt practices by Respondent and his Agents.

On the 26th day of August last the cause was set down for trial, on the fifteenth day of September, and full notice of trial was given on the same day in all respects conformably to Law, except that the Sheriff failed to publish it in the County pursuant to Rule 69.

On the fifteenth day of September I opened my Court at Amherst in said County for the trial of the Petition—Counsel for the Petitioner, and the Respondent his Counsel and Agent being present. And inasmuch as the original papers sent by the Clerk to the Registrar by mail, had not arrived, I, at the request of the Counsel of both parties adjourned the Court until the following day.

On the sixteenth day of September, at the opening of the Court the papers having arrived, the Petitioner's Counsel moved for a postponement of the trial for an indefinite period of several weeks upon the ground that he had not had sufficient time to prepare for the trial, and was not ready to proceed. This motion was strenuously resisted by Respondent's Counsel, and after argument I refused the application upon the ground that the affidavit did not disclose that any exertions had been made by Petitioner to prepare for the trial, but I allowed the Petitioner to renew his application on the following day on a better affidavit.

On the seventeenth day of September the motion was renewed on an affidavit which shewed that the Petitioner had made no exertions, but had culpably neglected to prepare for the trial, or to perform the duty to the electors opposing the Respondent which he had assumed.

After hearing several affidavits on the part of the Respondent, and after a lengthy argument, I on the following morning (eighteenth day of September) delivered a written judgment in which I refused the application for postponement, but offered to go on with the investigation and adjourn from day to day to enable the Petitioner to procure his witnesses—any of whom it appeared by the Respondent's affidavit could have been obtained in twenty-four hours.

This offer the Petitioner's Counsel refused and declared his intention to apply to withdraw his Petition in order that other parties might apply to be substituted for the Petitioner to contest the seat under section 42.

The Petitioner thereupon filed the notice of application to withdraw his Petition, and at his request I fixed the ninth day of October for the hearing of the application, and the notice was duly published in two newspapers issued in the County. I also required the Petitioner then to appear before me to be examined to negative any corrupt bargain.

Up to the day appointed for the hearing no application was made by any Elector of Cumberland to be substituted for the Petitioner under section 42.

On the seventh day of October the Respondent and his Agent appeared before me, and the Respondent made an affidavit that the application to withdraw the Petition "*was not the result of any corrupt arrangement, or in consideration of the withdrawal of, or application to withdraw, any other Petition.*"

On the ninth day of October I held a Court for the hearing of the applications and the Petitioner's Agent, *Wallace Graham*, Esquire, and the Respondent and his Agent, appeared before me, the Clerk being also present; and the Petitioner not being present, his Agent moved for withdrawal of the Petition upon an affidavit of the Petitioner which had been used on the motion for postponement, which I would not have considered sufficient, had not the Respondent's Counsel then read the affidavit of Respondent above mentioned.

Thereupon fully believing that no corrupt bargain or arrangement had been made, and that the application was in perfect good faith on both sides, I granted the order for withdrawal of the Petition.

Having, as I considered, given every opportunity to the Electors of Cumberland to contest the validity of the Election, and believing that no person desired to assume the responsibility of so doing, I was much surprised when on the following morning (Saturday tenth October) I was waited upon by Mr. *Amos Purdy* an Elector of the County of Cumberland, who stated to me that he had endeavored to have himself substituted as a Petitioner that he had applied to Mr. *Graham* for that purpose, on the previous day, twice, while the hearing was in progress, but that owing to the answers that he had received from Mr. *Graham* he had been prevented from making the application, and that he was aware of the existence of a corrupt bargain or compromise in relation to such application.

I thereupon recommended Mr. *Purdy* to take the advice of Counsel as I could not entertain any application not made in a regular manner upon affidavit. And on Monday the twelfth and again on the fourteenth day of October I was waited on by Mr. *Purdy* and *Robert Motton* Esquire, Barrister at Law who made an application on an affidavit of Mr. *Purdy* for time to prepare affidavits. I thereupon granted fourteen days to prepare affidavits and renew the application.

On the twenty-seventh day of October the said *Robert Motton*, Esquire, and Mr. *Purdy* again appeared before me, and on an affidavit of Mr. *Purdy* which in my judgment disclosed sufficient grounds of mistake, if not of fraud, on the part of others—parties concerned. I granted a *rule nisi* to rescind the order to withdraw the Petition to admit the said *Amos Purdy* to become Petitioner in place of the said *George Hibbard*, and to allow the sureties of said *George Hibbard* on said Petition to stand as sureties for said *Amos Purdy*. Said *rule nisi* was made returnable in thirty days and fourteen days were given to serve the Petitioner, the Respondent, and the gentlemen who had been their Agents—the Rule further directed the Petitioner to appear before me to be examined personally in relation to the affidavit of said *Amos Purdy*.

On the twenty-sixth day of November I held a Court for hearing of the motion, and Messrs. *Motton* and *Purdy* appeared before me, the Clerk and Mr. *John S. D. Thompson*, who had been the Respondent's Agent, being also present. Mr. *Thompson* stated that he had had no communication with the Respondent and was not retained by him. Mr. *Motton* then applied for an enlargement of the *rule nisi* upon the ground that although he had served the *rule nisi* on the two gentlemen resident in Halifax who had acted as Agents, he had not served the Petitioner or Respondent—but inasmuch as the affidavit upon which he applied shewed that no effort whatever had been made by him, during the thirty days which had elapsed, to serve the Rule upon either the Petitioner or the Respondent, I felt bound to refuse the application and finally discharge the Rule, which I did at an adjourned meeting on the same day by a written decision which is on file in the cause.

All which I respectfully report.

Dated at Halifax in the Province of Nova Scotia this fifteenth day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

ALEXANDER JAMES.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

CARDWELL CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Toronto, December 23rd, 1874.

SIR,—I have the honor to report to you that the trial of the Petition in the Controverted Election for the Electoral Division of Cardwell took place before me.

That my judgment was and is that the Respondent the Honorable *John Hillyard Cameron* was duly returned and elected and that his Election was valid.

I further order that no costs be taxed by either party against the other.

There being no charges except as to property qualification I have no further Report to make.

I have enclosed herewith a copy of the notes of the evidence.

I have the honor to remain, Sir,

Your obedt. servt.,

JOHN H. HAGARTY,
Chief Justice Court of Common Pleas.

The Honorable

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

PICTOU CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

IN THE ELECTION COURT.

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

Dominion of Canada,
Province of Nova Scotia,
Pictou, S. S. }

ROBERT DOULL,

Petitioner,

vs.

JAMES WILLIAM CARMICHAEL, and JOHN ADAM DAWSON,

Respondents.

The trial of the Election Petition in the above cause, complaining of the undue Election and Return of *James William Carmichael* at the Election for the House of Commons in the month of February in the present year, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and charging him with the commission of corrupt practices at such Election by himself and Agents was assigned to me *James W. Johnston*, one of the Judges of the Election Court for the Province of Nova Scotia, I proceeded to Pictou and there tried the merits of the Petition, and after such trial and hearing the evidence, I determined that *James William Carmichael*, whose Election and Return was complained of, was duly returned and elected, and such my determination I now certify to the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons.

I have also to report that no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of any Candidate at such Election.

I have also to report that no person was proved at the trial to have been guilty of any corrupt practice at the Election.

I have to report also that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at such Election.

And I append hereto a copy of the notes of the evidence taken before me in this case. All which I have the honor to report and certify.

JAMES W. JOHNSTON,

Judge of the Election Court.

Pictou, 23rd October, 1874.

Dominion of Canada,
Province of Nova Scotia,
Pictou, S. S. }

IN THE ELECTION COURT.

THE CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

ROBERT DOULL,

Petitioner,

vs.

JAMES WILLIAM CARMICHAEL AND JOHN ADAM DAWSON,

Respondent.

The trial of the Election Petition in the above cause, complaining of the undue Election and Return of *John Adam Dawson* at the Election for the House of Commons in the month of February in this present year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four and charging him with the commission of corrupt practices at such Election by himself and Agents was assigned to me, *James W. Johnston*, one of the Judges of the Election Court for the Province of Nova Scotia, I proceeded to Pictou and there tried the merits of the Petition, and after such trial and hearing the evidence I determined that *John Adam Dawson* whose Election and Return was complained of was duly returned and elected, and such my determination I now certify to the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons.

I have also to report that no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of any Candidate at such Election.

I have also to report that no person was proved at the trial to have been guilty of any corrupt practice at the Election.

I have also to report that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at such Election, and I append hereto a copy of the notes of the evidence taken before me in this case, all which I have the honor to report and certify.

JAMES W. JOHNSTON,

Judge of Election Court.

Pictou, 22nd October, 1874.

And the said Certificates and Reports were ordered to be entered in the Journals of this House.

Mr. Speaker further informed The House, that he had received from two more of the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to the *Controverted Elections Act*, 1873, Certificates and Reports relating to the Elections—

For the Electoral District of L'Islet; and for the Electoral District of Hants.

And the same were read as follow :—

L'ISLET CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Canada,
Province of Quebec, }
Quebec Division.

The 20th January, 1875.

PRESENT.

HON. JUDGE STUART,
HON. JUDGE TASCHEREAU,
HON. JUDGE TESSIER.

Election Petition for the Electoral District of L'Islet.

LOUIS DUVAL, et al.

Petitioners.

vs.

THADDIE MICHAUD,
PHILIPPE BABY CASGRAIN, et al.

Defendants.

To the Honorable *Timothy Warren Anglin*, Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada :

SIR,—We have the honor to report that as a Court of Review in the Election Petition of the Electoral District of L'Islet, having heard the parties by their respective Counsel on the merits of their case, we, on the 29th instant finally disposed of the said Petition by the following determination and decision—

The Court, sitting in the present case by virtue of sections 33, 34 and 63 of the *Controverted Elections Act* of 1874, and upon the Inscription, by the Petitioners, of the said case for Review of the Judgment rendered in the same, the twentieth day of November last by the Honorable Judge *Casault*,—having heard the parties on both sides, by their Attorneys, upon the final merits of the contestation between the said Petitioners and the said Defendants, examined the evidence on record and the proceedings, and on the whole duly deliberated :—

Confirms and maintains unaltered the said judgment and decides by these Presents that *Philippe Baby Casgrain*, the sitting Member was duly elected, and decides that all the costs arising from the presentation of the above-mentioned Petition on which there has not already been pronounced a previous order or judgment, shall be paid by the parties Petitioners or Defendants who have incurred them, each of them paying their own as ordered by the said judgment of the twentieth day of November last, and the Court condemns the Petitioners to pay the costs of the present Review, in favor of the said Defendants, which decision we have the honor to certify, to avail as to law and justice shall appertain—

The notes of evidence duly certified by the Clerk of the Court who took the same under the supervision of Mr. Justice *Casault* at St. Jean, Port Joly we now transmit with said decision.

We have the honor to be

Your most obedient,

(Signed), A. STUART, J.
H. E. TASCHEREAU, J.
A. J. TESSIER, J.

QUEBEC, 29th January, 1875.

HANTS CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Dominion of Canada,
Province of Nova Scotia, }
Hants, S.S.

IN THE ELECTION COURT.

CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1873.

WILLIAM HENRY ALLISON,

Petitioner.

vs.

MONSON GOUDGE,

Respondent.

The trial of the Election Petition in the above cause, complaining of the undue Election and Return of *Monson Goudge*, the above Respondent, at the General Election of Members for the House of Commons held in the month of February in this present year, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and

charging the said *Monson Goudge* with corrupt practices by himself and Agents at said Election, was assigned to me *James W. Johnston*, one of the Judges of the Election Court for the Province of Nova Scotia. At the time specified in the notice of trial, I proceeded to Windsor and opened my Court for the trial of said Petition. The Respondent appeared in person and by Counsel, but the Petitioner did not appear either by Counsel or personally. I caused the Petitioner to be publicly called, and not answering, I adjourned my Court, and on re-assembling, the Petitioner was again called but did not answer, and it having been proved to me on affidavit, that the non-appearance of the Petitioner was not the result of any collusion or agreement between the Petitioner and the Respondent, I dismissed the Petitioner, and determined that the said *Monson Goudge* was duly elected and returned as a representative to the House of Commons, and such my determination I now certify to the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons; for the reason stated above, I have no notes of evidence to append hereto, all which I have the honor to report and certify.

Windsor, 3rd November, 1875.

JAMES. W. JOHNSTON,
Judge of the Election Court.

To the Honorable
the Speaker of the House of Commons.

And the said Certificates and Reports were ordered to be entered in the Journals of this House.

Mr. Speaker also informed The House, that during the Recess he had received communications from several Members, notifying him that the following places had severally become vacant, viz.:

Of the Hon. *Antoine Aimé Dorion*, Member for the Electoral District of Napierville, by acceptance of the Office of Chief Justice of the Superior Court, for the Province of Quebec.

Of the Hon. *Félix Geoffrion*, Member for the Electoral District of Verchères, by acceptance of the Office of Minister of Inland Revenue.

Of *William Harvey*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Elgin, by decease.

Of *Edwin R. Oakes*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Digby, by resignation; and

Of the Hon. *William Ross*, Member for the Electoral District of Victoria (N. S.), by acceptance of the Office of Collector of Customs at the Port of Halifax (N.S.); and that he had issued his several Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out new Writs of Election for the said places respectively.

Mr. Speaker also informed The House, that during the Recess the Clerk of The House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Certificates of the Election and Return of the following Members, viz. :—

Of the Hon. *Félix Geoffrion*, for the Electoral District of Verchères.

Of *Sixte Coupal, dit La Reine*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Napierville.

Of *Colin Macdougall*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Elgin.

Of *Louis Riel*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Provencher.

Of *John Lorn Macdougall*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Renfrew.

Of *Alexander Francis Macdonald*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the Town and Township of Cornwall.

Of the Hon. *William B. Vail*, for the Electoral District of Digby.

Of *William Murray*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Renfrew.

Of *Schuyler Shibley*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the County of Addington.

Of *William McGregor*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the County of Essex.

Of *Lemuel Cushing*, junior, Esq., for the Electoral District of Argenteuil.

Of *James Norris*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the County of Lincoln.

Of *William Kerr*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of Northumberland.

Of *James Lyons Biggar*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Northumberland.

Of *Louis François George Baby*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Joliette.

Of the Hon. *Henry Aylmer*, junior, for the Electoral District of Richmond and Wolfe.

Of *Frederick Mackenzie*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Montreal West.

Of *Josiah Burr Plumb*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the Town and Township of Niagara.

Of *Charles Frederick Ferguson*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the Counties of Leeds and Grenville.

Of *Thomas McKay* Esq., for the Electoral District of Colchester.

Of *James Maclellan*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Victoria (Ont.)

Of *William Wallace*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Norfolk.

Of the Right Hon. *Sir John A. Macdonald*, K.C.B., for the Electoral District of the City of Kingston.

Of *Charles James Campbell*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Victoria, Nova Scotia.

Of *Amable Jodoin*, junior, Esq., for the Electoral District of Chambly.

Of *George Turner Orton*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the Centre Riding of the County of Wellington.

Of *Herman Henry Cook*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Simcoe.

Of *Bernard Devlin*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Montreal Centre.

Of *Hilaire Hurteau*, Esq., for the Electoral District of L'Assomption.
 Of *Samuel Platt*, senior, Esq., for the Electoral District of East Toronto; and
 Of *William McCraney*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the County of Halton.

Mr. Speaker further informed The House, that he had received from the Hon. Mr. Justice *Wilson*, one of the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to *The Dominion Controverted Elections Act*, 1874, Certificate and Report relating to the Election for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Renfrew.

And the same was read as follows:—

SOUTH RENFREW CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

TORONTO, 29th January, 1875.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada:

SIR,—In pursuance of “the *Dominion Controverted Elections Act*, 1874,” I have the honor to certify to you that I have avoided the Election and Return of *John Lorn Macdougall*, Esquire, for the Electoral Division of the South Riding of the County of Renfrew, and I also transmit herewith the copy of the notes of the trial of the said Controverted Election which includes my own judgment and determination in the cause.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedt servt.

ADAM WILSON,

J.

And the said Certificate was ordered to be entered in the Journals of this House.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that in conformity with the Act 37 Victoria, Chapter 10, Section 36, he had issued his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new Writ of Election for the said Electoral District.

Hon. Mr. *Mackenzie* introduced a Bill (No. 1) respecting the administration of the Oaths of Office; which was read the first time.—

The following Members having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took their seats in The House, viz:—

Bernard Devlin, Esq., Member for the Electoral Division of the City of Montreal West,—Hon. *William B. Vail*, Member for the Electoral District of Digby,—*William McCraney*, Member for the Electoral District of Halton,—*Lemuel Cushing*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Argenteuil,—*Samuel Platt*, Esq., Member for the Electoral Division of the City of Toronto, East,—*Colin Macdougall*, Esq., Member of the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Elgin,—*Sixte Coupal, dit La Reine*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Napierville,—*William Murray*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Renfrew,—and *Joseph Ryan*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Marquette.

Mr. Speaker reported His Excellency's Speech from the Throne, and read a copy thereof to The House; which is as follows:—

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate:

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

I have much satisfaction in meeting you at this early and convenient season.

I have to congratulate you upon the organization of the North-West Police Force, and the success of its operations. It has materially aided in the creation of confidence and good-will among the Indian tribes; in the suppression of the liquor traffic; the establishment of legitimate trade; the collection of Customs duties; and, above all, in maintaining security for life and property within the Territory. Another effect of the presence of the Police in the North-West has been to enable the Government to largely reduce the strength of the Military establishment in that country.

The negotiation of a friendly Treaty with the Crees and Sauteux of the North-West for the cession of territory may be regarded as a further guarantee for the continuation of amicable relations with the Indian tribes of that vast region.

During the past summer I had the pleasure and advantage of visiting a very large portion of the Province of Ontario, including the whole coast of Georgian Bay and Lake Superior. This official tour enabled me to form a better idea of the great extent of the comparatively well-settled country and of that which is still almost wholly undeveloped. I was everywhere received with the kindest welcome, and was much gratified in witnessing the enterprise, contentment, and loyalty manifested in every quarter.

Your attention will be invited to a measure for the creation of a Supreme Court. The necessity for such a measure has yearly become more and more apparent, since the organization of the Dominion; it is essential to our system of jurisprudence and to the settlement of constitutional questions.

You will also be invited to consider a Bill relating to the important subject of Insolvency.

Measures will be submitted to you providing for the reorganization of the Government of the North-West and the consolidation of the laws relating to that country; for a general Insurance law; and on the subject of Copyright.

Gratifying progress has been made in the survey of the Canada Pacific Railway route. Measures have been taken to secure the early construction of the Georgian Bay branch, and to provide a connection with the eastern railway system. The report of the surveys of the road from Lake Superior to Fort Garry, which will be ready in a few days will afford information upon which tenders may be invited for the construction of the eastern and western portions of that section, so as to reach the navigable waters of the interior.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons;

The accounts of the past year will be laid before you. The estimates for the present financial year will also be submitted; they will, I believe, be found to have been framed with every regard to economy, consistent with efficiency in the public service.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate;

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

I am happy to believe that notwithstanding the general and wide-spread commercial depression which has prevailed over the continent, the trade of Canada is sound, and that the contraction we have experienced in some branches of industry for the past year has not been greater than might naturally have been anticipated.

Papers will be submitted to you on the North-West troubles, and in reference to the negotiations between the Dominion Government and the Government of British Columbia on the subject of the Pacific Railway.

Steps have been taken during the recess for a combination of effort on the part of the several Provinces and the Dominion, to promote immigration from Europe under the general direction of the Dominion officials. It is hoped that the effect will be increased efficiency and economy in this branch of the public service.

I rely with confidence on your prudence and ability, and on your patriotic devotion to the great public interests entrusted to you; and I pray that the Divine blessing may rest upon your labors.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Mackenzie, His Excellency's Speech was ordered to be taken into consideration, to-morrow.

Resolved, That the Votes and Proceedings of The House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

Resolved, That Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session, be appointed for the following purposes:—1. On Privileges and Elections.—2. On Expiring Laws.—3. On Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.—4. On Miscellaneous Private Bills.—5. On Standing Orders.—6. On Printing.—7. On Public Accounts.—8. On Banking and Commerce.—9. On Immigration and Colonization,—which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to them by The House; and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Resolved, 1st.—That if anything shall come in question touching the Return or Election of any Member, he is to withdraw during the time the matter is in Debate; and all Members returned upon double Returns are to withdraw until their Returns are determined.

Resolved, 2nd.—That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or hath endeavored so to be, by bribery or any other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such bribery, or other corrupt practices.

Resolved, 3rd. That the offer of any money or other advantage to any Member of the House of Commons, for the promoting of any matter whatsoever, depending or to be transacted in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, is a high crime and misdemeanor, and tends to the subversion of the Constitution.

Hon. Mr. Mackenzie laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—General Report of the Minister of Public Works for the fiscal year, ending the 30th June, 1874.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House, the Report of the Librarian of the House of Commons, on the state of the Library of Parliament, which is as follows:—

TO THE HONORABLE THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED.

THE REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF PARLIAMENT: RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH:—

That since the last Annual Report, numerous additions have been made to the Library. But owing to the frequent and increasing demands for the latest and most authoritative information upon legal questions and upon the principal topics of the day, and the absence of any other Public Library in this part of the Dominion, it is evident that it will become necessary, before long, to increase the collection very materially

in its more prominent and important sections. At present the Library is much in arrear, in comparison with the leading Public Libraries in the adjoining States, in meeting the requirements of educated readers. But any considerable enlargement must necessarily be deferred until the collection is placed in apartments which will admit of its continuous growth and expansion.

The prospect of a speedy removal to our new premises is daily becoming more encouraging. The interior decoration of the building is now in hand, and there is a reasonable ground for anticipating that it will be ready for occupation before the expiration of another year.

In view of this transfer, the attention of Parliament is respectfully called to the fact, that by the Statute of 1871, the Library of Parliament was formally severed from its previous connection with the establishment of the Senate and the House of Commons, and constituted an independent Department of the Civil Service. Nevertheless, so long as the books are deposited in rooms which appertain to the main building, the administrative officers of the two Houses have agreed to provide for the cleaning, heating and furnishing of these apartments. But, upon the removal of the Library to its permanent locale, other arrangements must be entered into for the fulfilment of such services, and due provision made to defray all contingent expenses in connection therewith.

Valuable donations of books continue to be received, especially from foreign Libraries. And the Librarian is happy to state that, through the exertions of the Honorable Senator *Brown*, during his recent Official Mission to Washington, Congressional Documents, issued since the year 1868, and hitherto unattainable, by direct application to the Officers of Congress, have been supplied, and a valuable collection of American Official Publications has been received from the United States Government.

A Supplementary Catalogue of the books procured during the past year is ready for distribution to Members, and lists of all Donations received, and of books deposited under the Copyright Law, within the same period, are herewith submitted.

The number of volumes in the Library last Session, was computed at 72,559.

The subsequent additions are about 2,536 volumes; making a total of 75,086.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ALPHEUS TODD,
Librarian of Parliament.

Library of Parliament,
February, 1875.

(For the Appendix to this Report see Sessional Papers.)

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Mousseau*—On Monday next—That the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the following resolutions:

1st. That the interests of the Dominion of Canada require that tranquillity and contentment should reign in the several Provinces composing the Dominion.

2nd. That in consequence of the troubles which took place in the Province of Manitoba, before its admission into the Dominion and of the acts of violence which were then committed, there exists in that Province a feeling of uneasiness and anxiety which might endanger the future of the Dominion, but which would be dispelled and replaced by a feeling of ease, satisfaction and cordial union, if it pleased Her Most Gracious Majesty, the Queen, to exercise her Royal Prerogative by granting a full and entire pardon and a complete amnesty for all acts, crimes and offences which may have been committed in Manitoba during the said troubles, applying to all those who were implicated in the said acts, crimes and offences.

Mr. *Masson*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of His Excellency's Commission and of the Royal Instructions which accompanied the same.

Mr. *Masson*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all papers, Orders in Council and correspondence relating to the commutation of the sentence passed on *A. Lepine* in Manitoba for the death of *Thomas Scott*.

Mr. *Delorme*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of Returns made by the different Railway Companies of their by-laws, and especially for the rules and regulations for the management of the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada by which their rates for passengers and traffic have been increased during the last six weeks.

Mr. *Delorme*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to grant a pension or a gratification of some kind to the Veterans who served in Canada as soldiers of the Sedentary Militia during the years 1812, 1813 and 1814.

Mr. *Delorme*—On Thursday next—BILL to prevent accidents by fire in certain public buildings and other structures used as manufactories, colleges, churches and lodgings.

Mr. *Pelletier*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing the names, age and place of residence of all Militiamen of 1812-13 who have transmitted to the Imperial Government their claims for a pension or indemnity.

Mr. *Irving*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to establish at an early period a system of Free delivery of letters and postal matter in the cities of the Dominion, in the same manner as that now in force in the City of Montreal.

Mr. *Irving*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to modify or abolish postal charges upon Newspapers published in the Dominion.

Hon. Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—That a Special Committee of Members be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed, Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House.

No. 1.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 4TH FEBRUARY,

2nd Session, 3rd Parliament, 38 Victoria,

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA:

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1875.

No. 2.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

Schuyler Shibley, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Addington, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Mackenzie*, it was *Resolved*, That the management of The House reporting, be entrusted for this Session to the Joint Committee on Printing, and that until the Committee is organized, the Chairman and Clerk of the said Committee of last Session be authorized to act.

Hon. Mr. *Geoffrion* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report, Returns, and Statistics of the Inland Revenues of the Dominion of Canada, for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1874.

The House proceeded to the consideration of His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session.

Mr. *Prêchette* moved, seconded by Mr. *Macdougall* (Elgin),

1. That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for his gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session; and further to assure His Excellency,—

2. That we are grateful to His Excellency for having convoked Parliament at this early and convenient season.

3. That we rejoice to learn that the organization of the North-West Police Force, has materially aided in the creation of confidence and good will among the Indian tribes, in the suppression of the liquor traffic; the establishment of legitimate trade; the Collection of Customs duties; in maintaining security for life and property within the Territory; and which has enabled the Government to largely reduce the strength of the Military establishment in the North-West.

4. That we regard the negotiation of a friendly Treaty with the Crees and Sauteux of the North-West for the cession of the territory as a further guarantee for the continuation of amicable relations with the Indian tribes of that vast region.

5. That we learn with much satisfaction that during the past summer His Excellency had the pleasure and advantage of visiting a very large portion of the Province of Ontario, including the whole coast of the Georgian Bay and Lake Superior; that this official tour enabled His Excellency to form a better idea of the great extent of the comparatively well-settled country and of that which is still almost wholly undeveloped; and that His Excellency was everywhere received with the kindest welcome, and was much gratified in witnessing the enterprise, contentment, and loyalty manifested in every quarter.

6. That we are gratified by the announcement that our attention will be invited to a measure for the creation of a Supreme Court; the necessity for such a measure having yearly become more and more apparent since the organization of the Dominion; it being essential to our system of jurisprudence and to the settlement of constitutional questions.

7. That we are glad to be informed that we shall be invited to consider a Bill relating to the important subject of Insolvency.

8. That our best attention will be given to any measures which may be submitted to us providing for the reorganization of the government of the North-West and the consolidation of the laws relating to that country; for a general Insurance law; and on the subject of Copyright.

9. That it is gratifying to be informed that considerable progress has been made in the survey of the Canada Pacific Railway route, and that measures have been taken to secure the early construction of the Georgian Bay branch, and to provide a connection with the eastern railway system; and we feel satisfaction in learning that the report of the surveys of the road from Lake Superior to Fort Garry, which will be ready in a few days, will afford information upon which tenders may be invited for the construction of the eastern and western portions of that section, so as to reach the navigable waters of the interior.

10. That we thank His Excellency for the assurance that the accounts of the past year, and the estimates for the present financial year, will be laid before us, and that the estimates have been framed with every regard to economy, consistent with efficiency in the public service.

11. That we are gratified in sharing His Excellency's belief that notwithstanding the general and widespread commercial depression which has prevailed over the continent, the trade of Canada is sound, and that the contraction we have experienced in some branches of industry for the past year has not been greater than might naturally have been anticipated.

12. That we shall be glad to receive the papers to be submitted to us concerning the North-West troubles, and the negotiations between the Dominion Government and the Government of British Columbia on the subject of the Pacific Railway.

13. That we learn with satisfaction that steps have been taken during the recess for a combination of efforts on the part of the several Provinces and the Dominion, to promote immigration from Europe under the general direction of the Dominion officials, and we share in the hope that the effect will be increased efficiency and economy in this branch of the public service.

14. That we assure His Excellency that our best endeavors will be used to justify His Excellency's expression of confidence in our prudence and ability, and in our patriotic devotion to the great public interests confided to us; and we join with His Excellency in the prayer that the Divine blessing may rest upon our labors.

The first to the eighth paragraph, inclusive of the said proposed Address, being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

The ninth paragraph of the said proposed Address being read a second time, was agreed to on a division.—

The tenth to the fourteenth paragraph, inclusive, of the said proposed Address being read a second time, were severally agreed to.—

On motion of the Hon. Mr. *Mackenzie*, the said Resolution was referred to a Select Committee, composed of Hon. Messrs. *Mackenzie*, *Smith* (Westmoreland), *Fournier*, *Cartwright*, and *Laird*, and Messrs. *Fréchette* and *Macdougall* (Elgin), to draft an Address pursuant thereto.

Hon. Mr. *Mackenzie*, from the said Committee, reported the draft of an Address, and the same being read a second time, was agreed to, and is as follows:

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir *Frederic Temple*, Earl of Dufferin, Viscount and Baron *Clandeboyne* of *Clandeboyne*, in the County *Down*, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron *Dufferin* and *Clandeboyne* of *Ballyleidy* and *Killeleagh*, in the County *Down*, in the Peerage of *Ireland*, and a Baronet, Knight of the Most Illustrious Order of *St. Patrick* and Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of *Canada*, and Vice Admiral of the same.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of Canada in Parliament assembled, humbly thank Your Excellency for your Gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session.

We are grateful to Your Excellency for having convoked Parliament at this early and convenient season.

We rejoice to learn that the organization of the North-West Police Force, has materially aided in the creation of confidence and good will among the Indian tribes, in the suppression of the liquor traffic; the establishment of legitimate trade; the Collection of Customs duties; in maintaining security for life and property within the Territory; and which has enabled the Government to largely reduce the strength of the Military establishment in the North-West.

We regard the negotiation of a friendly Treaty with the Crees and Sautaux of the North-West for the cession of the territory as a further guarantee for the continuation of amicable relations with the Indian tribes of that vast region.

We learn with much satisfaction that during the past summer Your Excellency had the pleasure and advantage of visiting a very large portion of the Province of Ontario, including the whole coast of the Georgian Bay and Lake Superior; that this official tour enabled Your Excellency to form a better idea of the great extent of the comparatively well-settled country and of that which is still almost wholly undeveloped; and that Your Excellency was everywhere received with the kindest welcome, and was much gratified in witnessing the enterprise, contentment, and loyalty manifested in every quarter.

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Our best attention will be given to any measure which may be submitted to us providing for the reorganization of the government of the North-West and the consolidation of the laws relating to that country; for a general Insurance law; and on the subject of Copyright.

It is gratifying to us to be informed that considerable progress has been made in the survey of the Canada Pacific Railway route, and that measures have been taken to secure the early construction of the Georgian Bay branch, and to provide a connection with the eastern railway system; and we feel satisfaction in learning that the report of the surveys of the road from Lake Superior to Fort Garry, which will be ready in a few days, will afford information upon which tenders may be invited for the construction of the eastern and western portions of that section, so as to reach the navigable waters of the interior.

We thank Your Excellency for the assurance that the accounts of the past year, and the estimates for the present financial year, will be laid before us, and that the estimates have been framed with every regard to economy, consistent with efficiency in the public service.

We are gratified in sharing Your Excellency's belief that notwithstanding the general and wide-spread commercial depression which has prevailed over the continent, the trade of Canada is sound, and that the contraction we have experienced in some branches of industry for the past year has not been greater than might naturally have been anticipated.

We shall be glad to receive the papers to be submitted to us concerning the North-West troubles, and the negotiations between the Dominion Government and the Government of British Columbia on the subject of the Pacific Railway.

We learn with satisfaction that steps have been taken during the recess for a combination of efforts on the part of the several Provinces and the Dominion, to promote immigration from Europe under the general direction of the Dominion officials, and we share in the hope that the effect will be increased efficiency and economy in this branch of the public service.

We assure Your Excellency that our best endeavors will be used to justify Your Excellency's expression of confidence in our prudence and ability, and in our patriotic devotion to the great public interests confided to us; and we join with Your Excellency in the prayer that the Divine blessing may rest upon our labors.

The said Address was then ordered to be engrossed, and to be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

Resolved, That this House will on Monday next resolve itself into a Committee to consider of a Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.—

Hon. Mr. *Cartwright* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Public Accounts of Canada for the fiscal year, ended 30th June, 1874.

Hon. Mr. *Burpee* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Tables of the Trade and Navigation of the Dominion of Canada for the fiscal year, ending 30th June, 1874.

In the Votes of yesterday, page 29, the following Members names were omitted from the list of those who had taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, and taken their seats in The House, viz :

Hon. *Félix Geoffrion*, for the Electoral District of Verchères,—*Alexander Francis Macdonald*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the Town and Township of Cornwall,—*William McGregor*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the County of Essex,—*James Norris*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the County of Lincoln,—*William Kerr*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of Northumberland,—*James Lyons Biggar*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Northumberland,—*Louis François George Baby*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Joliette,—*Frederick Mackenzie*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Montreal West,—*Josiah Burr Plumb*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the Town and Township of Niagara,—*James Maclellan*, Esq., for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Victoria (Ont.),—Right Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*, K.C.B., for the Electoral District of the City of Kingston,—*Amable Jodoin*, Esq., for the Electoral District of Chambly,—and *Hilaire Hurteau*, Esq., for the Electoral District of L'Assomption.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.—

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Wood—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention or the Government to establish a Court of Admiralty for the Inland Waters of the Dominion during the present session of Parliament?

Mr. Wood—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to deepen the Welland Canal so as to secure fourteen feet of water on the mitre sills instead of Twelve, as at first contemplated?

Mr. Wood—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to proceed with the enlargement of the St. Lawrence Canals and how soon and whether they will be of same capacity when finished as the Welland Canal?

Mr. Wood—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government, during the present Session, to introduce an Act providing for the appointment of Inspectors of Insurance Companies, both Fire and Life?

Mr. Brouse—On Thursday next—SELECT COMMITTEE to report upon our present system of Military Drill with the view to ascertain if some improvement may not be effected thereon.

Mr. Brouse—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether, in consequence of the failure of the Directors of Chelsea Hospital to recognize the claims of our Canadian Veterans of 1812 for Pensions under the Royal Warrant of January last, the present Government will consider such claims, and if so, under what circumstances and to what extent?

Hon. Mr. Tupper—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether Tenders have been advertised in Nova Scotia for the Coal and Hay Cars required by the Intercolonial Railway.

Hon. Mr. Fournier—On Monday next—BILL intituled "An Act to prevent enlistment in the services of any Foreign State, in certain cases not provided for by *"The Foreign Enlistment Act, 1870."*

Hon. Mr. Fournier—On Monday next—BILL intituled "An Act to repeal certain provisions of an Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia."

Hon. Mr. Fournier—On Monday next—BILL intituled "An Act to amend certain difficulties in the Administration of the Criminal Law."

Mr. Blain—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have caused to be made a survey of the River St. Lawrence with a special view to ascertain whether a depth of 14 feet of navigable water can be obtained at a reasonable outlay; and if so, what is the result?

Mr. Gordon—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of Returns to the Customs Department:—

1st. For the entire quantity of Land Plaster imported into the Dominion of Canada from the United States since the 1st of April 1874;

2nd. For the respective quantities of said Plaster imported from the United States as received at the several Lake and River Ports of the Dominion;

3rd. For the entire sum collected as Revenue from the said article of Land Plaster between the 1st day of April and the 1st day of December 1874.

Mr. Ross (Middlesex)—On Monday next—That the several petitions presented to this House praying for the passage of a Prohibitory Liquor Law be referred to a Special Committee and that said Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records and to report by Bill or otherwise and that said Committee be composed of the following Members:—

Mr. Ross (Middlesex)—On Monday next—That the Clerk do lay on the Table a statement of all the expenses incurred by the Special Committees of this House during the last Session of this Parliament—Expenses of each Committee to be separately stated.

Hon. Mr. Fournier—On Tuesday next—BILL intituled "An Act to establish a Supreme Court and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada."

Mr. Wilkes—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government purpose to place in the Estimates a sum of money sufficient to erect a suitable Armory and Drill Shed for the use of the Volunteer Force in the City of Toronto, the Corporation having set apart a site for such building?

Hon. Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Monday next—BILL to regulate the construction and maintenance of Marine Electric Telegraphs.

Mr. *Roscoe*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying him to call the attention of Her Majesty's Government to the necessity of having the Boundary Line between British Columbia and Alaska as soon as possible defined and surveyed.

Mr. *Wilkes*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copy of Engineer's Report on the condition of the Harbour of the City of Toronto and also for copies of Orders in Council, if any, concerning proposed improvements of the same.

Hon. Mr. *Vail*—On Tuesday next—BILL to amend the Dominion Militia and Defence Acts.

Mr. *Bowell*—On Monday next—That the entry in the Journals of this House of 31st of March and 9th of April 1874 relating to the examination of Attorney-General *Clark*, Detective *Hamilton* and Policeman *McVeity* be now made.

Mr. *Bowell*—On Monday next—*Resolved*: That the Return of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to the Writ of Election for the Electoral District of Provencher, communicated to this House at the opening of the Session by Mr. Speaker shews that *Louis Riel* who was expelled therefrom during last Session, as being a fugitive from justice, has been re-elected to represent the said Electoral District, and that as the said cause of expulsion has not been removed the said *Louis Riel* be expelled this House.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

Thomas McKay, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Colechester,—and *William Wallace*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Norfolk, having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took their seats in the House.—

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—a Report from the Commissioners on the Internal Economy of the House of Commons, in reference to "*The Canadian Hansard*," which is as follows:—

The Commissioners for the Internal Economy of the House of Commons, who were authorized to do all things necessary to secure the commencement of a "Hansard" for the present Session, have the honor to report,—That for this purpose they issued advertisements, calling for tenders for the several services connected therewith, viz:—Reporting, Printing and Binding—in answer to which they received the following tenders:—

REPORTING AND EDITING.

	1ST SCHEME.	2ND SCHEME.
	Chief Reporter, for Reporting, Editing, &c. Annual Salary, House Furnishing the necessary Assistants.	Total charge per week during Session for Reporting, &c., including all costs, Assistants, &c.
1. J. T. Richardson.....	\$2,000.00 per annum	Or \$550 per week.
2. J. D. Ensor .....	.....	\$25 per week.
3. J. Dunn	\$2,500.00 per annum.....	Or \$300 per week.
4. H. Watt.....	\$1,500.00 do	500 per week.
5. J. E. Munson.....	{ \$200 per week and 4 Asst's at \$2,500 each per Session.....	.....
6. — Monagle.....	2,000 per Session as Assistant..	.....
7. Isaac Watson	\$1,600.00 per annum.....	Or \$800 per week.
8. A. M. Burgess.....	.....	500 do
12. L. A. Grison & Co .....	.....	400 do
13. C. W. Mitchell.....	(Afterwards withdrawn).....	200 do
14. Thos. Dixon	\$800.....	300 do
15. B. Russell	\$1,600 .....	.....

FOR THE PRINTING.

	Composition per 1000 ems.	Press Work per Token.	Folding, &c., per 100.
4. H. Watts.....	40 cents.	1 dollar.	15 cents.
11. MacLean, Roger & Co.....	45 “	20 cents.	50 “
12. L. A. Grison & Co.....	37½ “	21 “	45 “
13. C. W. Mitchell.....	45 “	40 “	20 “

FOR THE BINDING.

	Per Vol. 400 p.p.	400 to 600 p.p.	Over 600 p.p.
9. J. Hope & Co.....	20 cents.	23 cents.	25 cents.
10. A. Mortimer.....	23 cents, any size.	.....	.....
11. MacLean, Roger & Co.....	30 “ “	.....	.....
12. L. A. Grison & Co.....	25 “ “	.....	.....
13. C. W. Mitchell.....	20 cents.	23 cents.	25 cents.

The tenders for the reporting were asked for under two heads,—1st. As chief reporter on an annual salary, the House furnishing the necessary assistance. 2ndly—A tender for a weekly sum, the party tendering to furnish his own assistants.

Under the first scheme the Commissioners felt a difficulty in arriving at any probable estimate of the cost, and as efficiency as well as economy was a requisite mentioned in the Report of the Select Committee appointed to obtain the publication of a Canadian “Hansard,” they selected under the 2nd scheme, the tender of Mr. A. M. Burgess, who appears to the Commissioners to be well fitted for the duties. His tender of \$500 per week is a price at which the Commissioners conceive the work can be properly and efficiently performed.

For the same reasons the Printing was awarded to Mr. C. W. Mitchell, and the Binding to Mr. A. Mortimer, at the prices mentioned in their respective tenders.

At the above prices, for a Session of ordinary duration, the Commissioners have reason to believe that the work can be performed for the appropriation made for that purpose last Session.

Mr. Speaker also informed The House,—that the Clerk of The House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery a Certificate of the Election and Return of *Duncan MacMillan*, Esquire, Member to represent the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Middlesex.

Mr. Speaker also laid before The House,—General Rules of the Election Court for the Province of New Brunswick, under the Act 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 28, Section 32.

Twenty-three Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The Petition of *R. A. R. Hubert* and others, of the Province of Quebec, was received and read; praying for an Act of incorporation under the name of *Banque Saint Jean Baptiste*.

On motion of Mr. Masson, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a copy of His Excellency's Commission, and of the Royal Instructions which accompanied the same.

Also, a further Address, for copies of all papers, Orders in Council and correspondence relating to the commutation of the sentence passed on *A. Lepine* in Manitoba, for the death of *Thomas Scott*.

On motion of Mr. Pelletier, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a statement shewing the names and place of residence of all Militiamen of 1812–13, who have transmitted to the Imperial Government their claims for a pension, or indemnity.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Mackenzie, a Special Committee of seven Members was appointed, to prepare and report lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House on Thursday the 4th February, instant, and that the Hon. Messrs. Mackenzie, Smith (Westmoreland), Fournier, Holton, Right Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald, Hon. Mr. Tupper, and Mr. Masson do compose the said Committee.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. *Mackenzie*, a Select Committee, composed of the Hon. Mr. *Mackenzie*, Mr. *Wright*, (Ottawa County), Hon. Messrs. *Cameron* (Cardwell), *Cartwright*, *Cauchon*, *Cameron* (Ontario) *Holton*, Right Hon. Sir *John A. Macdonald*. Hon. Messrs. *Smith* (Westmoreland) and *Tupper*, and Messrs. *Baby*, *Brouse*, *Delorme*, *Fréchette*, *Mills*, *Young*, and *Laurier*, was appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned; and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses in the Library;—and a Message was ordered to the Senate to acquaint them therewith.

Hon. Mr. *Mackenzie* presented the following Message from His Excellency the Governor General, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

Dufferin.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commons, copies of a correspondence which has taken place with the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, relating to the commutation of the sentence of death passed on *Ambroise Lepine* for the murder of *Thomas Scott*, at Fort Garry.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 8th February, 1875.

Hon. Mr. *Laird* laid before The House,—Report of Progress of the Geological Survey of Canada, by *Alfred R. C. Selwyn*, F.R.S., F.G.S., Director, for 1873-74.

Hon. Mr. *Vail* presented,—Return to Address of the 11th May, 1874; for copies of all Reports, Orders and correspondence between the Militia authorities and the Militia or any other Department, in reference to the Military movements on the Niagara Frontier, in the year 1866.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. *Cimon*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for

1st. A statement showing the number of Rivers in the Counties of Saguenay, Chicoutimi, and Charlevoix, now under lease under the provisions of the Fisheries Act, the name of the lessee in each case, and the price for which each of them is so leased;

2nd. A statement shewing the number of Fishing leases now in existence, granted for carrying on fisheries in the waters of the River St. Lawrence, in the Counties of Saguenay and Charlevoix, the rent to be paid under each lease, and the name of the party to whom it was granted;

3rd. A statement of the number of penalties inflicted by the Fishery Officers for contraventions of the Fisheries Act, setting forth the nature of each contravention, within the limits of the Counties of Chicoutimi, Charlevoix and Saguenay, since 1867.

Mr. *Cimon*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to cause to be executed in the River Saguenay, at the place where it is called "*Bras de Chicoutimi*," the works necessary to enable vessels to reach Chicoutimi in all states of the tide?

Mr. *Cimon*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to promote in the Dominion of Canada, by means of subsidies, the construction of those lines of Railway which receive grants from the Local Legislatures.

Mr. *Irving*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled "An Act to repeal an Act to amend the Criminal Law relating to Violence, Threats, and Molestation."

Mr. *Irving*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled "An Act for the more effectual protection of Carriers by Land and for the Regulation of Traffic throughout the Dominion."

Mr. *Irving*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled "An Act to provide for the institution of suits against the Crown by Petition of Right and respecting Procedure in Crown suits."

Mr. *Irving*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled "An Act to extend and amend the Law requiring Railway Companies to furnish Returns of their Capital, Traffic and Working Expenditure."

Mr. *Charlton*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled “An Act to prevent Cruelty to animals while in transit by Railway or other means of Conveyance within the Dominion of Canada.”

Mr. *Brouce*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intend establishing a Sanitary Bureau in connection with one of the Public Departments, and if not, do they propose any legislation on the subject during the present Session?

Hon. *D. A. Macdonald*—On Thursday next—BILL intituled “An Act to amend the Act for the Regulation of the Postal Service.”

Mr. *Young*—On Thursday next—That the House do go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution:

That the collection and early publication of full and accurate Statistics affecting the Commerce, Revenues, Population and material progress of the Dominion, is a matter of great importance, and in the opinion of this House it is highly desirable that the Government should establish a Board of Statistics, or take such other means as may be necessary to have our Statistics as complete, reliable and early published, as possible.

Mr. *Young*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have under consideration and propose to lay before Parliament this Session, a Bill similar to the Imperial Act in force in Great Britain regulating the rights and defining the liabilities of Common Carriers by Land and Water?

Mr. *Young*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of any despatch or despatches received from the Imperial Government on the subject of the Naturalization of Aliens since the despatch of the Earl of Kimberley of date the 3rd September, 1873.

Mr. *Blain*—On Thursday next—That the documents laid on the Table last Session in answer to an Address for the production of certain papers and correspondence relating to the comparative cost of Wooden and Iron Bridges on the Intercolonial Railway be printed and circulated as other Public Documents usually are.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Friday next—BILL to amend the General Railway Acts.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government during this Session, to introduce a measure to regulate the Railway Carrying Trade of the Dominion, in accordance with a promise made during the last Session of this House?

Mr. *F. Mackenzie*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to replace, by a new issue, the worn and soiled Dominion Notes?

Mr. *Domville*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all special rates granted for freight on the Intercolonial Railroad, giving names of person or persons obtaining same and dates.

Mr. *Domville*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all papers and correspondence connected with the contract for supplies to the Intercolonial Railroad from 1st June to 31st December, 1874, of Cars, Trucks, Bar Iron and Railway materials, together with copies of Tenders, giving names and dates.

Mr. *Mills*—On Monday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to consider the following Resolution:—That the present mode of constituting the Senate is inconsistent with the Federal Principle in our system of Government, makes the Senate alike independent of the people and the Crown, and that our Constitution ought to be so amended as to confer upon each Province the power of selecting its own Senators and to define the mode of their selections.

Mr. *Domville*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to purchase the property in the harbor of St. John, N. B., of *Francis Fergusson Esquire*, for the purpose of a deep water terminus for the Intercolonial Railway, or for any other purpose?

Hon. Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Thursday next—That from the evidence reported to this House by the Committee appointed last session on the questions arising out of the North-West troubles, it appears that the late Sir *G. E. Cartier*, Minister of Militia and Defence, and during Sir *J. A. Macdonald's* illness acting Minister of Justice, leader of the Government, and its representative in its negotiations with the delegates from the North-West, at various times, gave divers persons of prominence in the North-West amongst whom were Archbishop *Taché*, Father *Ritchot*, the Hon. *M. A. Girard* and the Hon. *J. Royal* assurances that a complete amnesty would be granted by the Imperial Government in respect of all acts committed by all persons during the North-West troubles, and requested that these assurances should be as they were communicated to the interested parties. That from the same evidence it further appears that the envoy of the Canadian Government Archbishop *Taché* acting in the *bona fide* belief that he was authorized to do so assured the people of the North-West, that the Imperial Government would grant such an amnesty; and the Canadian Government did not communicate to the people any disavowal of his action.

That from the same evidence it further appears that the interested parties became, by means of the said assurances convinced that such an amnesty would be granted; and that this conviction so effected their action as to facilitate the acquisition of the territory by Canada.

That from the same evidence it further appears, that, on the occasion of the raid of Fenians, led by *W. B. O'Donohue*, one of the actors in the North-West troubles, the Hon. *A. G. Archibald*, Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba, in the name of Her Most Gracious Majesty, the Queen, by proclamation called on all the inhabitants to rally to its defence; and especially asked through Father *Ritchot*, the aid of *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine*, and in reply to a letter from Father *Ritchot* on the subject, wrote the following letter:—

“GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Oct. 5th, 1871.

“REVEREND SIR,—Your note has just reached me. You speak of difficulties which might impede any action of Mr. *Riel* in coming forward to use his influence with his fellow citizens, to rally to the support of the Crown in the present emergency.

“Should Mr. *Riel* come forward as suggested, he need be under no apprehension that his liberty will be interfered with in any way; to use your own language, ‘*pour la circonstance actuelle*.’

“It is hardly necessary for me to add that the co-operation of the French half-breeds and their leaders in the support of the Crown under present circumstances will be very welcome and cannot be looked upon otherwise than as entitling them to most favorable consideration.

“Let me add that in giving you this assurance with promptitude I feel myself entitled to be met in the same spirit.

“The sooner the French half-breeds assume the attitude in question the more graceful will be their action and the more favorable their influence.

“I have the honor to be, Revd. Sir,

“Yours truly,

“(Signed) A. G. ARCHIBALD,
“Lieutenant-Gouverneur.

“Rev. *Pere Ritchot*,

“St. Norbert.”

And subsequently in reply to a letter to him on the same subject from *L. Riel*, *A. D. Lepine* and *P. Paranteau* caused the following letter to be sent:—

“GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

“FORT GARRY, Oct. 8th, 1871.

“GENTLEMEN.—I have it in command from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to acknowledge receipt of your note of this morning assuring His Excellency of the hearty response of the Metis to the appeal made to them in His Excellency's Proclamation.

“You may say to the people on whose behalf you write that His Excellency is much gratified to receive the assurance which he anticipated in his communication with the Rev. *Pere Ritchot*, and which your letter conveys, and that he will take the earliest opportunity to transmit to His Excellency the Governor General this evidence of the loyalty and good faith of the Metis of Manitoba.

“His Excellency will be pleased to be furnished as soon as possible with a nominal list of persons in each parish who desire to enrol for active service in the present emergency.

“His Excellency will rely upon their readiness to come forward the moment they receive notice.

“I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

“Your obedient servant,

“W. F. BUCHANAN,

“Acting Private Secretary.

“To M. *L. Riel*,

“*A. D. Lepine*.

“*Pierre Paranteau*.”

“That from the same evidence it further appears that the said *L. Riel*, *A. D. Lepine* and *P. Paranteau* accordingly raised a large body of men to assist in the defence of the Province and marched them to the vicinity of Fort Garry where they were received and their services accepted by the Lieutenant Governor who shook hands with *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* as leaders of the force and by a subsequent proclamation recognized their services: and the action of the Lieutenant Governor was not disavowed by the Canadian Government which continued him in his place and thereafter promoted him to the Lieutenant Governorship of Nova Scotia.”

“That from the same evidence it further appears that Sir *J. A. Macdonald*, then first Minister of Canada and Minister of Justice, in Dec. 1871, after the Fenian Raid was over, entered into negotiations through Archbishop *Taché*, with the said *L. Riel* for his retirement from the Province of Manitoba for the space of a year, and for his maintenance during this expatriation out of the public funds of Canada, and in order to induce him so to retire, pointed out to the Archbishop that the proposed step would improve the chances of obtaining the amnesty from Her Majesty's Government, and stated that he would exert her personal influence to procure action in the matter by Her Majesty's Government, and that he would so far make *Riel's* case his own and, having so induced the Archbishop to interfere, sent him the promised sum which was taken from the Secret Service Fund placed at the disposal of his Government by Parliament, with the following letter:—

“(Private and strictly Confidential.)

“OTTAWA, Dec. 27th, 1871.

“MY DEAR LORD ARCHBISHOP,—I have been able to make the arrangement for the individual that we have talked about. I now send you a sight draft on the Bank of Montreal for \$1,000. I need not press upon your Grace the importance of the money being paid to him periodically (say monthly or quarterly) and not in a lump, otherwise the money would be wasted and our embarrassments begin again. The payment should spread over a year.

“Believe me, your Grace's very obedient servant,

“JOHN A. MACDONALD.

“His Grace

“The Archbishop

“of St. Boniface, Manitoba.”

That from the same evidence it further appears, that Sir *G. E. Cartier*, Minister of Militia and Defence, afterwards communicated with Archbishop *Taché*, requesting that *A. D. Lepine* should be included in the same arrangement, and that the Archbishop was, on his return to Manitoba, further requested by Lieutenant Governor *Archibald* to procure the expatriation of the said persons, and in order to make a sufficient provision for the maintenance of themselves and their families the Lieutenant Governor procured from the Hudson's Bay Company the further sum of £600, and that the Archbishop thereupon induced *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* to consent to the requests of Sir *J. A. Macdonald*, Sir *G. E. Cartier* and *A. G. Archibald*, and they departed accordingly, and they and their families received for their maintenance said sums of \$1,000 and \$600.

That thereafter and during the General Election of 1872, *L. Riel* was contesting Provencher with Attorney General *Clarke*, when, at the request of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, First Minister and Minister of Justice, Lieutenant Governor *Archibald* arranged that both the said Candidates should retire in order that Sir *G. E. Cartier*, Minister of Militia might be elected for the County, and he was elected accordingly, and publicly received, and acknowledged the congratulations of *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* on the event.

That from the said evidence it further appears that Sir *John A. Macdonald*, First Minister and Minister of Justice, gave assurances to Archbishop *Taché*, to his Quebec colleagues and others that he would on his intended visit to England press on Her Majesty's Government to take up the question, thinking that they might see their way to granting a complete amnesty without the Canadian Government being responsible for it, to which he had no objection, and which would he believed, be loyally accepted by the Canadian people.

That in the opinion of this House it is not for the honor or interest of Canada that the question of amnesty should remain longer in its present shape.

That in the opinion of this House the facts developed in the said evidence cannot be ignored by the people or the Parliament of Canada, and must be considered in the expression of their views as to the disposition of the question.

That in the opinion of this House it would be proper, considering the said facts, that a full amnesty should be granted to all persons concerned in the North-West troubles for all acts committed by them during the said troubles, saving only *L. Riel*, *A. D. Lepine* and *W. D. O'Donohue*.

That in the opinion of this House it would be proper, considering the said facts, that a like amnesty should be granted to *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* conditional on five years' banishment from Her Majesty's Dominions.

That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General embodying this resolution and praying that he will be pleased to take such steps as may be best calculated to carry it into effect.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that he had received the following letter:—

OTTAWA, 9th February, 1875.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons, Ottawa.

SIR,—I, the undersigned, *Anselme Hémère Paquet* of St. Cuthbert, in the Province of Quebec, do hereby resign my seat as Member for the Electoral District of Berthier, in the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada, of which all parties interested are requested to take due notice.

Dr. A. H. PAQUET.

[L.S.]

Signed and sealed in presence of

Wm Fanning,
W. C. Bowles.

Mr. Speaker also informed The House,—That in conformity with the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 25, Section 8, he had issued his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new Writ of Election for the said Electoral District,

Duncan MacMillan, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Middlesex, — *Herman Henry Cook*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Simcoe,—and the Honorable *Henry Aylmer*, Member for the Electoral District of Richmond and Wolfe, having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same; took their seats in The House.—

Four Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.—

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees, ordered by the House on Thursday, the 4th February, instant, reported as follows:—

1.—ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

Messieurs

Blake,
Brooks,
Cameron (*Cardwell*),
Cauchon,
Colby,
Devlin,
Fournier,
Geoffrion,

Holton,
Irving,
Kirkpatrick,
Lafamme,
Langlois,
Macdonald, Sir J. A.,
McDougall (*Three Rivers*),
McIsaac,

MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Mills,
Moss,
Mousseau,
Oliver,
Palmer, and
Scatcherd.—23.

2.—ON EXPIRING LAWS.

Messieurs

Bain,
Blackburn,
Borron,
Brooks,
Brown,
Buell,
Burk,
Campbell,
Casey,
Cheval,
Cimou,
Dawson,


Dewdney,
Donahue,
Ferguson,
Ferris,
Fournier,
Gill,
Hall,
Kerr,
Kirk,
Lajoie,
Lanthier,
Little,

Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
McQuade,
Monteith,
Montplaisir,
Ouimet,
Pettes,
Ray,
Robillard,
Ryan,
Shibley, and
Smith (*Peel*).—35.

And that the Quorum of said Committee do consist of Seven Members.

3.—ON RAILWAYS, CANALS AND TELEGRAPH LINES.

Messieurs

Aylmer,
Baby,
Béchar, 
Bertram,
Blake,
Borden,
Bourassa,
Bowell,
Buell,
Burpee, (*St. John*),
Burpee, (*Sunbury*),
Cameron, (*Ontario*),
Carmichael,
Caron,
Cartwright,
Cauchon,
Church,
Colby,
Cook,
Costigan,
Coupal,
Cunningham,
Currier,
Davies,
DeCosmos,
Delorme,
Dewdney,
Domville,
Donahue,

Ferris,
Flesher,
Fournier,
Gcoffrion,
Gill,
Gillies,
Hagar,
Haggart,
Harwood,
Holton,
Huntington,
Hurteau,
Irving,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Jones (*Leeds*),
Killam,
Kirkpatrick,
Lafamme,
Langlois,
Lanthier,
Laurier,
Macdonald (*Glengarry*),
Macdonald, Sir John A.
Mackenzie (*Lambton*),
Mackenzie (*Montreal*),
McCallum,
Masson,
Moss,

Mousseau,
McGreevy,
Metcalf,
Mitchell,
Norris,
Pelletier,
Pickard,
Pozer,
Ray,
Robitaille,
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rymal,
Schultz,
Sinclair,
Smith (*Selkirk*),
Smith (*Westmoreland*),
Snider,
Stephenson,
Stirton,
Thomson (*Welland*),
Thibaudeau,
Trow,
Tupper,
Vail,
Wallace, (*Albert*).
Wilkes,
Wright (*Ottawa*), and
Wright (*Pontiac*).—85.

4.—ON MISCELLANEOUS PRIVATE BILLS.

Messieurs

Baby,
Blain,
Bonrassa,
Bowman,
Brooks,
Brouse,
Burpee, (*Sunbury*),
Cameron (*Cardwell*),
Casey,
Cheval,
Church,
Cimon,
Coffin,
Currier,
Devlin,
Dymond,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Forbes,

Flynn,
Fréchette,
Fournier,
Galbraith,
Gaudet,
Gcoffrion,
Gillmor,
Huntington,
Jetté,
Killam,
Kirkpatrick,
Laurier,
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
Mackay (*Cape Breton*),
MacLennan,
MacMillan,
McCraney,
McIntyre,
McIsaac,

Mills,
Moffat,
Moss,
Mousseau,
Oliver,
Ouimet,
Pinsonneault,
Platt,
Ray,
Rochester,
Roscoe,
Seriver,
Skinner,
Tremblay,
Wallace (*Albert*),
Wallace (*Norfolk*), and
White.—55.

And the Quorum of said Committee do consist of Seven members.

5.—ON STANDING ORDERS.

Messieurs.

Appleby,
Baby,
Bunster,
Casgrain,
Charlton,
Cook,
Costigan,
Cushing,
De St. Georges,
Ferris,
Forbes,
Flesher,

Fréchette,
Galbraith,
Gaudet,
Gibson,
Hall,
Jodoin,
MacDonnell (*Inverness*),
Macdonald (*Cape Breton*),
McKay (*Colchester*),
Murray,
Orton,
Patterson,

Pozer,
Perry,
Plumb,
Pouliot,
Ross (*Durham*),
Rymal,
Schultz,
Seriver,
Shibley,
Smith (*Peel*), and
Wright (*Pontiac*).—35.

And that the Quorum of said Committee do consist of Seven Members.

6.—PRINTING.

Messieurs

Bowell,
Bourassa,
Church,
Delorme,
De Veber,

Dymond,
Goudge,
Lanthier,
Laird,
Ross (*Middlesex*),

Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Haldimand*), and
Wallace (*Norfolk*).—14.

7.—ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

Messieurs

Archibald,
Blake,
Blain,
Bourassa,
Boyer,
Bowell,
Bertram,
Brouse,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Cartwright,
Colby,
Davies,
Delorme,
Desjardins,
De Veber,
Domville,
Dugas,
Dymond,
Fiset,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gillmor,

Gibson,
Goudge,
Gordon,
Harwood,
Holton,
Irving,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Landerkin,
Laurier,
Little,
Macdonald, Sir J. A.,
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
Mackenzie (*Lambton*),
Mackenzie (*Montreal*),
Masson,
McGregor,
McGreevy,
McLeod,
Metcalfé,
Mills,
Mitchell,

Pelletier,
Plumb,
Pozer,
Richard,
Robitaille,
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Seriver,
Smith (*Sellkirk*),
Snider,
Taschereau,
Thibaudeau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Thomson,
Tremblay,
Tupper,
Vail,
Wright (*Ottawa*), and
Young—64.

And that the Quorum of said Committee do consist of Nine Members.

8.—ON BANKING AND COMMERCE.

Messieurs

Archibald,	Forbes.	Paterson,
Béchar, d,	Haggart,	Pickard,
Biggar,	Holton,	Plumb,
Blain,	Horton,	Power,
Blake,	Jette,	Robillard,
Boyer,	Jodoin,	Robitaille,
Brown,	Jones (<i>Halifax</i>),	Rochester,
Brouse,	Killam,	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Latlamme,	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Cameron (<i>Cardwell</i>),	Laird,	Rouleau,
Cameron (<i>Ontario</i>),	Langlois,	Rymal,
Caron,	Landerkin,	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Cartwright,	Laurier,	Stirton,
Cauchon,	Macdonald, Sir J. A.,	Taschereau,
Cockburn,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Thibaudeau,
Currier,	MacLennan,	Thompson (<i>Haldimand</i>),
DeCosmos,	McDonald (<i>Cape Breton</i>)	Thompson (<i>Welland</i>),
De St. Georges,	McGreavy,	Tupper,
De Veber,	McLeod,	Wilkes,
Donville,	Mitchell,	Wood, and
Fiset,	Moss,	Yeo.—65.
Fleming,	Oliver,	

And that the Quorum of said Committee do consist of Nine Members.

9.—ON IMMIGRATION AND COLONIZATION.

Messieurs

Bain,	Flynn,	Pope,
Barthe,	Forbes,	Pouliot,
Béchar, d,	Gaudet,	Pozer,
Bernier,	Hagar,	Richard,
Biggar,	Huntington,	Rochester,
Borron,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Ryan,
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Little,	Smith (<i>Peel</i>),
Caron,	Macdonald (<i>Glenarry</i>),	Stephenson,
Charlton,	MacKay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	St. Jean,
Cockburn,	Mackenzie (<i>Montreal</i>),	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Coupal,	Moffat,	Tremblay,
Dugas,	Palmer,	Trow,
Farrow,	Paterson,	White,
Feris,	Pettes,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>), and
Fiset,	Pinsonneault,	Yeo.—45.

And that the Quorum of said Committee do consist of Nine Members.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, (*Lambton*) the said Report was concurred in.

Mr. *Mackenzie*, (*Lambton*) introduced a Bill (No. 2) to regulate the construction and maintenance of Marine Electric Telegraphs.—Second reading on Friday next.—

Mr. *Fournier*, introduced a Bill (No. 3) to repeal certain provisions of an Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia.—Second reading on Friday next.—

Mr. *Cartwright* laid before The House,—Statement of all allowances and gratuities granted under the Act 33 *Victoria*, Cap. 4, intituled: “An Act for better securing the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada, by providing for the superannuation of persons employed therein in certain cases;”—accompanied by a statement of the cases in which (since last Return) additions have been made to the actual number of years services of persons employed in the Civil Service, who have been superannuated.

Also,—Statement of Expenditure charged to Unforeseen Expenses under Orders in Council, by authority of the Act 37 *Victoria*, Cap 1. Schedule B, from 1st July 1874, to date.

Mr. *Smith* (*Westmoreland*) presented,—Return to Address of the 18th May, 1874; for all correspondence, instructions given to the Steamboat Inspectors, or any of them, Reports, etc, concerning the destruction by fire of the Steamboat “*Bavarian*,” in November, 1873.

Also,—Return to Address of the 23rd May, 1874; for all papers and correspondence and minutes of Council, in reference to the dismissal of Mr. *H. J. Chaloner* of Quebec, as Shipping Master.

And,—Return to Address of the 18th May, 1874; for all correspondence between the Government, and any other persons in reference to the appointment of Commissioners of Pilots.

Also all correspondence between the Government and any member of the Government, and any other person or persons in reference to the dismissal of Mr. *Hamilton*, as Collector of Customs at North Sydney.

Mr. *Vail* introduced a bill (No. 4) to amend the "Dominion Militia and Defence Acts."—Second reading on Friday next.—

Mr. *Fournier* introduced a Bill (No. 5) to prevent Enlistment in the service of any Foreign State, in certain cases not provided for by "*The Foreign Enlistment Act, 1870.*"—Second reading on Friday next.—

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), delivered the following Message from His Excellency the Governor General, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

Dufferin.

His Excellency the Governor General communicates to the House of Commons the appointment of the Honorable *Alexander Mackenzie*, Minister of Public Works, the Honorable *Télesphore Fournier*, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, the Honorable *Isaac Burpee*, Minister of Customs, and the Honorable *Thomas Coffin*, Receiver General, to act with the Speaker of the House of Commons as Commissioners for the purposes and under the provisions of the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 27, intituled: "An Act respecting the Internal Economy of the House of Commons, and for other purposes."

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
9th February, 1875.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), it was *Resolved*, That when this House adjourned this day it do stand adjourned until Thursday next.—

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Gordon*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for returns respecting that portion of the Mississagua Indian Tribe now settled upon Seugog Island.

1st.—For the amount invested by the Dominion Government on their behalf in the lands which said Indians now occupy.

2nd.—For the amount of all other funds with the several annual additions thereto which the Government has received from said Indians; shewing how said funds are invested, at what rate of interest and the several annual payments or donations made by Government to them since the first receipt and investment of said funds in the Indians' behalf.

Hon. Mr. *Fournier*—On Friday next—BILL entitled "An Act respecting Insolvency."

No. 4.

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No. 5.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 11TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

Seven Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.—

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *William McNaughton* and others, of the Parish of St. Malachie de Ormstown, of *Robert Houston* and others, of English River Centre, of *Thomas Gebbie, jun.*, and others, of Howick, of *John Pyke* and others, of Jamestown, of *James Templeton* and others, of the Parish of St. Martin, and of *James Esdon* and others, of South Georgetown, County of Chateauguay; of the County Council of the County of Elgin; of the Council of the Municipality of Masham, County of Ottawa; of *James Riddell* and others, of Kingsey Falls, of *James Miller* and others, of Durham, and of the Council of the Municipality of Durham, County of Drummond; of *James W. Mack* and others, of Clyde's Corners, County of Huntingdon; of the Council of the Municipality of St. Andrews, and of the *Venerable Archdeacon Lonsdell, M.A.*, and others, of the Parish of St. Andrews; of the Council of the Municipality of Potton, and of the Council of the Municipality of the Township of Brome; of the Council of the Municipality of St. George de Clarenceville, of *Adam Best* and others, of the Township of Stanbridge, of *H. G. Trepanier*, and others, of St. Thomas, and of *L. H. Bissell* and others, of Clarenceville, County of Missisquoi; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *John Hamilton* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Pictou Coal and Iron Company.

Of *Charles D. Day* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Canadian Gas Lighting Company.

Of the Honorable *J. J. C. Abbott* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Industrial Life Insurance Company.

Of the Imperial Building Savings and Investment Company; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Company to that of "The Imperial Loan and Investment Company."

Of the Montreal Board of Trade; praying for certain Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *Robert Armour*, of the Town of Bowmanville, Solicitor for the Provisional Directors of the London and Canada Bank; praying that the Act incorporating the said Bank be amended in such manner as to permit the Directors to reduce the capital stock to Two millions of dollars, and the amount to be paid up to Two hundred thousand dollars and to extend the time therefor to a further period of one year from the date when the same would otherwise expire.

Of *John Mather* and others, Provisional President and Directors of a Company to be called The Lower Ottawa Boom Company; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the aforesaid name, and also for power to erect Booms on the Ottawa River wherever the same may be deemed necessary between the City of Ottawa and the Village of Hawkesbury, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, requesting that they will unite with this House in the formation of a Joint Committee of both Houses, on the subject of the Printing of Parliament; and informing their Honors that the Members of the Select Standing Committee on Printing, viz:—Messrs. *Bowell, Bourassa, Church, Delorme, De Veber, Dymond, Goudge, Lanthier, Laird, Ross* (Middlesex), *Ross* (Prince Edward), *Stephenson, Stirton, Thompson* (Haldimand), and *Wallace* (Norfolk), will act as Members of the Joint Committee on Printing.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, the Public Accounts of the Dominion of Canada, for the year ending 30th June, 1874,—and the Statement of Expenditure charged to Unforeseen Expenses under Orders in Council, by authority of the Act 37 Vict., Cap. 1. Schedule B, from the 1st July, to date, were referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. *Oliver* introduced a Bill (No. 6) to amend the General Railway Acts.—Second reading on Monday next.—

Mr. *Irving* introduced a Bill (No. 7) for the more effectual protection of Carriers by Land, and for the regulation of Traffic throughout the Dominion.—Second reading on Monday next.—

Mr. *Charlton* introduced a Bill (No. 8) to prevent cruelty to animals while in transit by Railway, or other means of conveyance within the Dominion of Canada.—Second reading on Monday next.—

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, Mr. *Wood's* name was ordered to be inserted in the place of that of Mr. *Irving* on the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts; and Messrs. *Wilkes, Ouimet*, and *Caron* were added to the said Committee,—Messrs. *Irving, Young, Macdonald* (Glengarry), *Devlin, Cimon*, and *Desjardins* to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce,—and Messrs. *Plumb* and *Shibley* to that on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), delivered the following Message from his Excellency the Governor General which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

Dufferin.

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS,—

I receive with much satisfaction your loyal Address, and I thank you for the promise of your assistance which it contains.

OTTAWA, 10th February, 1875.

Mr. *Irving* introduced a Bill (No. 9) to repeal "An Act to amend the Criminal Law relating to Violence, Threats, and Molestation."—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) moved, that from

The evidence reported to this House by the Committee appointed last Session on the questions arising out of the North-West troubles, it appears that the late Sir *G. E. Cartier*, Minister of Militia and Defence, and during Sir *J. A. Macdonald's* illness acting Minister of Justice, leader of the Government, and its representative in its negotiations with the delegates from the North-West, at various times, gave divers persons of prominence in the North-West amongst whom were Archbishop *Taché*, Father *Ritchot*, the Hon. *M. A. Girard* and the Hon. *J. Royal* assurances that a complete amnesty would be granted by the Imperial Government in respect of all acts committed by all persons during the North-West troubles, and requested that these assurances should be as they were communicated to the interested parties. That from the same evidence it further appears that the envoy of the Canadian Government Archbishop *Taché* acting in the bona fide belief that he was authorized to do so assured the people of the North-West, that the Imperial Government would grant such an amnesty; and the Canadian Government did not communicate to the people any disavowal of this action.

That from the same evidence it further appears that the interested parties became, by means of the said assurances convinced that such an amnesty would be granted; and that this conviction so affected their action as to facilitate the acquisition of the territory by Canada.

That from the same evidence it further appears, that, on the occasion of the raid of Fenians, led by *W. B. O'Donohue*, one of the actors in the North-West troubles, the Hon. *A. G. Archibald*, Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba, in the name of Her Most Gracious Majesty, the Queen, by proclamation called on all the inhabitants to rally to its defence; and especially asked through Father *Ritchot*, the aid of *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine*, and in reply to a letter from Father *Ritchot* on the subject, wrote the following letter:—

"GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Oct. 5th, 1871.

"REVEREND SIR,—Your note has just reached me. You speak of difficulties which might impede any action of Mr. *Riel* in coming forward to use his influence with his fellow citizens, to rally to the support of the Crown in the present emergency.

"Should Mr. *Riel* come forward as suggested, he need be under no apprehension that his liberty will be interfered with in any way; to use your own language, '*pour la circonstance actuelle*.'"

"It is hardly necessary for me to add that the co-operation of the French half-breeds and their leaders in the support of the Crown under present circumstances will be very welcome and cannot be looked upon otherwise than as entitling them to most favorable consideration.

"Let me add that in giving you this assurance with promptitude I feel myself entitled to be met in the same spirit.

"The sooner the French half-breeds assume the attitude in question the more graceful will be their action and the more favorable their influence.

"I have the honor to be, Revd. Sir,

"Yours truly,

"(Signed) A. G. ARCHIBALD,
Lieutenant-Governor.

"Revd. Pere Ritchot,
"St. Norbert."

And subsequently in reply to a letter to him on the same subject from *L. Riel*, *A. D. Lepine* and *P. Paranteau*, caused the following letter to be sent:—

"GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
"FORT GARRY, Oct. 8th, 1871.

"GENTLEMEN,—I have it in command from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to acknowledge receipt of your note of this morning assuring His Excellency of the hearty response of the Metis to the appeal made to them in His Excellency's Proclamation.

"You may say to the people on whose behalf you write that His Excellency is much gratified to receive the assurance which he anticipated in his communication with the Rev. *Pere Ritchot*, and which your letter conveys, and that he will take the earliest opportunity to transmit to his Excellency the Governor General this evidence of the loyalty and good faith of the Metis of Manitoba.

"His Excellency will be pleased to be furnished as soon as possible with a nominal list of persons in each parish who desire to enrol for active service in the present emergency.

"His Excellency will rely upon their readiness to come forward the moment they receive notice.

"I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

"Your obedient servant,

"W. F. BUCHANAN,

"Acting Private Secretary.

"To *M. L. Riel*,
"A. D. Lepine,
"Pierre Paranteau."

That from the same evidence it further appears that the said *L. Riel*, *A. D. Lepine* and *P. Paranteau* accordingly raised a large body of men to assist in the defence of the Province and marched them to the vicinity of Fort Garry where they were received and their services accepted by the Lieutenant Governor who shook hands with *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* as leaders of the force and by a subsequent proclamation recognized their services; and the action of the Lieutenant Governor was not disavowed by the Canadian Government which continued him in his place and thereafter promoted him to the Lieutenant Governorship of Nova Scotia.

That from the same evidence it further appears that Sir *J. A. Macdonald*, then first Minister of Canada and Minister of Justice, in Dec. 1871; after the Fenian Raid was over, entered into negotiations through Archbishop *Taché*, with the said *L. Riel* for his retirement from the Province of Manitoba for the space of a year, and for his maintenance during this expatriation out of the public funds of Canada, and in order to induce him so to retire, pointed out to the Archbishop that the proposed step would improve the chance of obtaining the amnesty from Her Majesty's Government, and stated that he would exert his personal influence to procure action in the matter by Her Majesty's Government, and that he would so far make *Riel's* case his own, and having so induced the Archbishop to interfere, sent him the promised sum which was taken from the Secret Service Fund placed at the disposal of his Government by Parliament, with the following letter:—

"(Private and strictly Confidential.)

"OTTAWA, Dec. 27th, 1871.

"MY DEAR LORD ARCHBISHOP,—I have been able to make the arrangement for the individual that we have talked about. I now send you a sight draft on the Bank of Montreal for \$1,000. I need not press upon your Grace the importance of the money being paid to him periodically (say monthly or quarterly) and not in a lump, otherwise the money would be wasted and our embarrassments begin again. The payment should spread over a year.

"Believe me, your Grace's very obedient servant,

"JOHN A. MACDONALD.

"His Grace
"The Archbishop
"of St. Boniface, Manitoba."

That from the same evidence it further appears, that Sir *G. E. Cartier*, Minister of Militia and Defence, afterwards communicated with Archbishop *Taché*, requesting that *A. D. Lepine* should be included in the same arrangement, and that the Archbishop was, on his return to Manitoba, further requested by Lieutenant Governor *Archibald* to procure the expatriation of the said persons, and in order to make a sufficient provision for the maintenance of themselves and their families the Lieutenant Governor procured from the Hudson's Bay Company the further sum of £600, and that the Archbishop thereupon induced *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* to consent to the request of Sir *J. A. Macdonald*, Sir *G. E. Cartier* and *A. G. Archibald*, and they departed accordingly, and they and their families received for their maintenance said sums of \$1,000 and £600.

That thereafter and during the General Election of 1872, *L. Riel* was contesting *Provencher* with Attorney General *Clarke*, when, at the request of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, First Minister and Minister of Justice, Lieutenant Governor *Archibald* arranged that both the said Candidates should retire in order that Sir *G. E. Cartier*, Minister of Militia might be elected for the County, and he was elected accordingly, and publicly received, and acknowledged the congratulations of *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* on the event.

That from the said evidence it further appears that Sir *John A. Macdonald*, First Minister and Minister of Justice, gave assurances to Archbishop *Taché* to his Quebec colleagues and others that he would on his intended visit to England press on Her Majesty's Government to take up the question, thinking that they might see their way to granting a complete amnesty without the Canadian Government being responsible for it, to which he had no objection, and which would he believed, be loyally accepted by the Canadian people.

That in the opinion of this House it is not for the honor or interest of Canada that the question of amnesty should remain longer in its present shape.

That in the opinion of this House the facts developed in the said evidence cannot be ignored by the people or the Parliament of Canada, and must be considered in the expression of their views as to the disposition of the question.

That in the opinion of this House it would be proper, considering the said facts, that a full amnesty should be granted to all persons concerned in the North-West troubles for all acts committed by them during the said troubles, saving only *L. Riel*, *A. D. Lepine* and *W. D. O'Donohue*.

That in the opinion of this House it would be proper, considering the said facts, that a like amnesty should be granted to *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* conditional on five years' banishment from Her Majesty's Dominions.

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General embodying this Resolution and praying that he will be pleased to take such steps as may be best calculated to carry it into effect.

And a Debate arising thereon; and the House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

FRIDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 1875

And the Debate continuing:

On motion of Mr. *Wallace* (Norfolk) the said Debate was adjourned until the next sitting of The House, this day.

In the Votes of Tuesday last, the 9th instant, Mr. *Stirton's* name was omitted on page 47, as one of the Members composing the Select Standing Committee on Printing.

The House then adjourned at 2:50 A. M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Wood*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—What measures have been taken to secure a connection of the Georgian Bay branch of the Canada Pacific Railway with the Eastern Railway system; and whether it is the intention of the Government to aid a line running south to connect with lines terminating on the shores of Lake Ontario; and, whether the Government purposes to lay on the table any papers on the subject; and if so, when?

Mr. *Dymond*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to direct application to be made to the Lieut. Governors of the several Provinces composing the Dominion of Canada for returns of all commitments for trial, with the acquittal or convictions resulting therefrom, for capital offences committed since 1st July, 1867; and also that His Excellency will be pleased to take such measures as may secure to this House, which is charged with the duty of legislating in respect of criminal jurisprudence, full statistical information on all matters relating thereto.

Mr. *Dymond*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of any correspondence which may have taken place relating to Addresses of this House presented last Session to His Excellency on the subject of the Act to amend the Act respecting Copyrights of 1872, which Act was reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon.

Mr. *Fournier*—On Monday next—BILL intituled "An Act to amend The Controverted Election Act, 1873," and "The Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874."

Mr. *Moss*—On Monday next—BILL entitled "An Act for suppressing Gaming Houses and to punish the keepers thereof."

Mr. *De Cosmos*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government, since the close of the last Session of Parliament, has again finally agreed to grant as a *bonus* to the Province of British Columbia, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars to aid in the construction of a first-class Graving Dock at Esquimalt.

Mr. *De Cosmos*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that a copy of the memorandum of the Chief Engineer of the Canadian Pacific Railway, referred to in a Report of the Honorable the Privy Council approved by the Governor General on the 7th June, 1873, be laid before this House.

Mr. *Oliver*—On Monday next—That an Order of this House do issue for a statement of the yearly expenses connected with the free delivery of letters and papers in the City of Montreal.

Mr. *Young*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—What arrangements have been made to secure regular steam communication between Canada and the British and Spanish West Indies; and if none, what further steps are proposed to accomplish the important object in view?

Mr. *Young*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—What steps have been taken, if any, to induce a further immigration of Menonites from Russia to the Province of Manitoba or any other part of the Dominion?

Mr. *Forbes*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of the number of Counties in Nova Scotia in which Examiners of Fish Inspectors have been appointed; the number of Inspectors appointed in each County; also, the quantity of fish or fish-oil inspected, with description of package, and by whom inspected, and amount of fees collected.

Mr. *Galbraith*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of the Report of *L. G. Bell*, C. E., on the exploration made by him of the route of the Huron and Ottawa Railway, from Ottawa City to Parry's Sound, together with all maps or papers accompanying the same.

Mr. *Macdougall*, (East Elgin)—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to put a sum in the Estimates of this year for the construction of Life-boats to be used in the several Harbours of the great Lakes for the purpose of rescuing the lives of shipwrecked marines and others?

No. 5.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 11TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

Three Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Cartwright* presented the following Message from His Excellency the Governor General, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

DUFFERIN.

The Governor General transmits Estimates of sums required for the Service of the Dominion for the year ending, 30th June, 1876; and in accordance with the provisions of "*The British North America Act, 1867.*" he recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Ottawa, 8th February, 1875.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, the said Message and Estimates were referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) presented the two following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General, which were read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

DUFFERIN.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commons, copies of a correspondence which has taken place on the subject of the non-fulfilment of the terms of Union with the Province of British Columbia.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
12th February, 1875.

DUFFERIN.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commons, copies of a correspondence which has taken place with Her Majesty's Government on the subject of a Bill passed in the last Session of the Dominion Legislature, entitled: "*An Act to regulate the Construction and Maintenance of Marine Electric Telegraphs.*"

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
12th February, 1875.

Mr. *Macdonald* (Glengarry) presented,—Return to Address of the 18th May, 1874; for copies of all correspondence and papers connected with the appointment of *Wm. J. Morden*, as Postmaster for the Village of Greensville, in the County of Wentworth, and the removal of said office to Bullock's Corners.—

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Mackenzie's* (Lambton) motion, and which motion was—
 “That from the evidence reported to this House by the Committee appointed last Session on the questions arising out of the North-West troubles, it appears that the late Sir *G. E. Cartier*, Minister of Militia and Defence, and during Sir *J. A. Macdonald's* illness acting Minister of Justice, leader of the Government, and its representative in its negotiations with the delegates from the North-West, at various times, gave divers persons of prominence in the North-West amongst whom were Archbishop *Taché*, Father *Ritchot*, the Hon. *M. A. Girard* and the Hon. *J. Royal* assurances that a complete amnesty would be granted by the Imperial Government in respect of all acts committed by all persons during the North-West troubles, and requested that these assurances should be as they were communicated to the interested parties. That from the same evidence it further appears that the envoy of the Canadian Government Archbishop *Taché* acting in the *bona fide* belief that he was authorized to do so assured the people of the North-West, that the Imperial Government would grant such an amnesty; and the Canadian Government did not communicate to the people any disavowal of this action.

“That from the same evidence it further appears that the interested parties became, by means of the said assurances convinced that such an amnesty would be granted; and that this conviction so affected their action as to facilitate the acquisition of the territory by Canada.

“That from the same evidence it further appears, that, on the occasion of the raid of Fenians, led by *W. B. O'Donohue*, one of the actors in the North-West troubles, the Hon. *A. G. Archibald*, Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba, in the name of Her Most Gracious Majesty, the Queen, by proclamation called on all the inhabitants to rally to its defence; and especially asked through Father *Ritchot*, the aid of *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine*, and in reply to a letter from Father *Ritchot* on the subject, wrote the following letter:—

“GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Oct. 5th, 1871.

“REVEREND SIR,—Your note has just reached me. You speak of difficulties which might impede any action of Mr. *Riel* in coming forward to use his influence with his fellow citizens, to rally to the support of the Crown in the present emergency.

“Should Mr. *Riel* come forward as suggested, he need be under no apprehension that his liberty will be interfered with in any way; to use your own language, ‘*pour la circonstance actuelle.*’

“It is hardly necessary for me to add that the co-operation of the French half-breeds and their leaders in the support of the Crown under present circumstances will be very welcome and cannot be looked upon otherwise than as entitling them to most favorable consideration.

“Let me add that in giving you this assurance with promptitude I feel myself entitled to be met in the same spirit.

“The sooner the French half-breeds assume the attitude in question the more graceful will be their action and the more favorable their influence.

“I have the honor to be, Revd. Sir,

“Yours truly,

“(Signed)

A. G. ARCHIBALD,

“Lieutenant-Governor.

“Revd. *Père Ritchot*,

“St. Norbert.”

And subsequently in reply to a letter to him on the same subject from *L. Riel*, *A. D. Lepine* and *P. Paranteau*, caused the following letter to be sent:—

“GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

“FORT GARRY, Oct. 8th, 1871.

“GENTLEMEN,—I have it in command from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to acknowledge receipt of your note of this morning assuring His Excellency of the hearty response of the Metis to the appeal made to them in His Excellency's Proclamation.

“You may say to the people on whose behalf you write that His Excellency is much gratified to receive the assurance which he anticipated in his communication with the Rev. *Père Ritchot*, and which your letter conveys, and that he will take the earliest opportunity to transmit to his Excellency the Governor General this evidence of the loyalty and good faith of the Metis of Manitoba.

“His Excellency will be pleased to be furnished as soon as possible with a nominal list of persons in each parish who desire to enrol for active service in the present emergency.

“His Excellency will rely upon their readiness to come forward the moment they receive notice.

“I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

“Your obedient servant,

“W. F. BUCHANAN,

“Acting Private Secretary.

“To *M. L. Riel*,

“*A. D. Lepine*,

“*Pierre Paranteau.*”

That from the same evidence it further appears that the said *L. Riel*, *A. D. Lepine* and *P. Paranteau* accordingly raised a large body of men to assist in the defence of the Province and marched them to the vicinity of Fort Garry where they were received and their services accepted by the Lieutenant Governor who shook hands with *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* as leaders of the force and by a subsequent proclamation recognized their services; and the action of the Lieutenant Governor was not disavowed by the Canadian Government which continued him in his place and thereafter promoted him to the Lieutenant Governorship of Nova Scotia.

That from the same evidence it further appears that Sir *J. A. Macdonald*, then first Minister of Canada and Minister of Justice, in Dec. 1871, after the Fenian Raid was over, entered into negotiations through Archbishop *Taché*, with the said *L. Riel* for his retirement from the Province of Manitoba for the space of a year, and for his maintenance during this expatriation out of the public funds of Canada, and in order to induce him so to retire, pointed out to the Archbishop that the proposed step would improve the chance of obtaining the amnesty from Her Majesty's Government, and stated that he would exert his personal influence to procure action in the matter by Her Majesty's Government, and that he would so far make *Riel's* case his own, and having so induced the Archbishop to interfere, sent him the promised sum which was taken from the Secret Service Fund placed at the disposal of his Government by Parliament, with the following letter:—

“(Private and strictly Confidential.)

“OTTAWA, Dec. 27th, 1871.

“MY DEAR LORD ARCHBISHOP,—I have been able to make the arrangement for the individual that we have talked about. I now send you a sight draft on the Bank of Montreal for \$1,000. I need not press upon your Grace the importance of the money being paid to him periodically (say monthly or quarterly) and not in a lump, otherwise the money would be wasted and our embarrassments begin again. The payment should spread over a year.

“Believe me, your Grace's very obedient servant,

“JOHN A. MACDONALD.

“His Grace

“The Archbishop

“of St. Boniface, Manitoba.”

That from the same evidence it further appears, that Sir *G. E. Cartier*, Minister of Militia and Defence, afterwards communicated with Archbishop *Taché*, requesting that *A. D. Lepine* should be included in the same arrangement, and that the Archbishop was, on his return to Manitoba, further requested by Lieutenant Governor *Archibald* to procure the expatriation of the said persons, and in order to make a sufficient provision for the maintenance of themselves and their families the Lieutenant Governor procured from the Hudson's Bay Company the further sum of £600, and that the Archbishop thereupon induced *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* to consent to the request of Sir *J. A. Macdonald*, Sir *G. E. Cartier* and *A. G. Archibald*, and they departed accordingly, and they and their families received for their maintenance said sums of \$1,000 and £600.

That thereafter and during the General Election of 1872, *L. Riel* was contesting Provencher with Attorney General *Clarke*, when, at the request of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, First Minister and Minister of Justice, Lieutenant Governor *Archibald* arranged that both the said Candidates should retire in order that Sir *G. E. Cartier*, Minister of Militia might be elected for the County, and he was elected accordingly, and publicly received, and acknowledged the congratulations of *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* on the event.

That from the said evidence it further appears that Sir *John A. Macdonald*, First Minister and Minister of Justice, gave assurances to Archbishop *Taché* to his Quebec colleagues and others that he would on his intended visit to England press on Her Majesty's Government to take up the question, thinking that they might see their way to granting a complete amnesty without the Canadian Government being responsible for it, to which he had no objection, and which would he believed, be loyally accepted by the Canadian people.

That in the opinion of this House it is not for the honor or interest of Canada that the question of amnesty should remain longer in its present shape.

That in the opinion of this House the facts developed in the said evidence cannot be ignored by the people or the Parliament of Canada, and must be considered in the expression of their views as to the disposition of the question.

That in the opinion of this House it would be proper, considering the said facts, that a full amnesty should be granted to all persons concerned in the North-West troubles for all acts committed by them during the said troubles, saving only *L. Riel*, *A. D. Lepine* and *W. D. O'Donohue*.

That in the opinion of this House it would be proper, considering the said facts, that a like amnesty should be granted to *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* conditional on five years' banishment from Her Majesty's Dominions.

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General embodying this Resolution and praying that he will be pleased to take such steps as may be best calculated to carry it into effect.

Mr. *Mousseau* moved in amendment, that the three last paragraphs of the said motion be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof:—That whilst regretting that the Ministers did not deem it their duty to advise His Excellency, the Governor General to grant a full pardon to Mr. *A. D. Lepine*, this House is of

opinion, as an obvious consequence of the premises laid down in said motion, that it would be proper that a full amnesty should be granted to all persons concerned in the North-West troubles for all acts committed in said troubles.

And a Debate arising thereon; and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 13th February, 1875.

And the question being put on Mr. *Mousseau's* amendment,—it was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Baby,	Desjardins,	Lanthier,	Pinsonneault,
Bunster,	Dugas,	Masson,	Pope,
Caron,	Gaudet,	McDougall (Three Rivers),	Robitaille,
Cimon,	Gill,	Montplaisir,	Rouleau,
Coupal,	Harwood,	Mousseau,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>).—23
Currier,	Hurteau,	Ouimet,	

NAYS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Cushing,	Laird,	Pozer,
Archibald,	Dawson,	Lajoie,	Ray,
Aylmer,	DeCosmos,	Landerkin,	Richard,
Bain,	Delorme,	Langlois,	Robillard,
Barthe,	De St. Georges,	Laurier,	Rochester,
Bécharé,	Devlin,	Little,	Roscoe,
Bertram,	Domville,	Macdonald (<i>Cornwall</i>),	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Biggar,	Donahue,	Maedonald (<i>Glengarry</i>),	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Blackburn,	Dymond,	MacDonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Ross (<i>Prince Edward</i>),
Blain,	Farrow,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Ryan,
Blake,	Ferris,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Rymal,
Borson,	Fiset,	Maekenzie (<i>Montreal</i>),	Scatcherd,
Borron,	Fleming,	MacLennan,	Seriver,
Bourassa,	Flesher,	MacMillan,	Shibley,
Bowell,	Forbes,	McCallum,	Sinclair,
Bowman,	Fournier,	McCraney,	Skinner,
Boyer,	Fréchette,	McGregor,	Smith (<i>Peel</i>),
Brooks,	Galbraith,	McIntyre,	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Brouse,	Geoffrion,	MeIsaac,	Snider,
Brown,	Gibson,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	Stephenson,
Buell,	Gillies,	McQuade,	Stirton,
Burk,	Gillmor,	Metcalfe,	St. Jean,
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Gordon,	Mills,	Taschereau,
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Goudge,	Mitchell,	Thibaudeau,
Cameron (<i>Ontario</i>),	Hagar,	Monteith,	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Carmichael,	Haggart,	Moss,	Thompson (<i>Haldimand</i>),
Cartwright,	Hall,	Murray,	Thompson (<i>Welland</i>),
Casey,	Holton,	Norris,	Tremblay,
Casgrain,	Horton,	Oliver,	Trow,
Cauchon,	Huntington,	Orton,	Tupper,
Charlton,	Irving,	Paterson,	Vail,
Cheval,	Jettee,	Pelletier,	Wallace (<i>Albert</i>),
Church,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Perry,	Wallace (<i>Norfolk</i>),
Cockburn,	Kerr,	Pettes,	White,
Coffin,	Killam,	Pickard,	Wilkes,
Cook,	Kirk,	Platt,	Wood,
Costigan,	Kirkpatrick,	Plumb,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>),
Cunningham,	Laffamme,	Pouliot,	Young—152

Mr. *Farrow* then moved in amendment, that the following paragraphs be added to the Resolutions, after the words:—"be loyally accepted by the Canadian people," in the 19th paragraph:—

That from the same evidence it appears that Bishop *Taché* had an interview with Messrs. *Dorion* and *Letellier*, Minister of the Crown in November, 1874, and that they informed him that they were personally in favor of an amnesty.

That on the 25th November the Hon Mr. *Letellier*, in his office said to Bishop *Taché* "I think (or I hope) that we shall be able to give the amnesty to our Lower Canadian friends as a New Year's gift."

That on the 30th November, Bishop *Taché* saw the Hon. Mr. *Dorion* and the Hon. Mr. *Letellier*, and says—"I was led to believe that they themselves had some guarantees about it (the amnesty). They were not explicit, but I was led to believe it. It was something to the effect that there was an agreement with their colleagues as to the granting of the amnesty. The words as near as I can say were these: "We cannot settle everything. It is so soon after the formation of the Government. We have hopes that the thing will be arranged in a favorable way according to your wishes; and we see ourselves the necessity of the amnesty." I remember no further words.

My impression was so strong, that I asked Mr. *Dorion* in what way he and I could communicate together about the amnesty, after my departure for Manitoba, without its being known. He then wrote in my memorandum book two sentences, which he explained as to what their meaning would be in case we should communicate about the amnesty. I produce the sentences, "Communication received, matter attended to immediately," meant this: "communication received" means "amnesty." "Matter attended to immediately" means "immediate promulgation of the amnesty." Next sentence, "Communication received" (same meaning), "matter under consideration" meaning "that the amnesty was under consideration by the Ottawa Government," "you may expect early decision," meaning its inherent sense as bearing on the secret meaning of the prior part of the sentence. It was agreed that he would add to the latter sentence the name of the month in which he expected the thing would be settled. The date is marked on the back of this memorandum. It is November 30th. The memorandum was written about the close of our interview of that day, which was my last interview with them. I left Montreal on the 2nd of December. The impression made on my mind was so favorable, that on my arrival I told many people that we had every reason to expect that the new Government would carry out the promise of the old Government."

That it further appears from the said evidence that the following telegrams passed between the Hon. A. A. *Dorion*, Minister of Justice, and others on his behalf and Archbishop *Taché*.

"FORT GARRY, 24th December, 1873.

"To the Honorable A. A. *Dorion*,
Ottawa.

"Anxious hearing from you. Is communication received. *Lepine* bailed yesterday.

(Signed,)

"ARCHBISHOP *TACHÉ*."

"MONTREAL, December 25th, 1873.

"To Archbishop *Taché*.

"I received the gratifying intelligence contained in your telegram. Matters here are progressing slowly, but most satisfactorily. In a few days I will write result, and about some important questions.

(Signed,)

"A. A. *DORION*."

"OTTAWA, 2nd January, 1874.

* * * * *

"General election immediate. Governor *Morris* will communicate with you. Of paramount importance for friends to comply with his request. Answer by telegraph.

(Signed,)

"J. C. *TACHÉ*."

OTTAWA, January 2nd, 1874.

"To Alex. *Morris*,
"Fort Garry, Manitoba.

"Will you communicate confidentially to Bishop *Taché* that I am particularly desirous in the interest of his people, in order to avoid excitement, that *Riel* should not be a candidate.

"(Signed,)

A. A. *DORION*.

That on the 5th January, 1874, Governor *Morris* telegraphed to the Hon. A. A. *Dorion*, Minister of Justice, that he had seen Archbishop *Taché*, and that he (*Dorion*) could "communicate with *Riel* through Father *Lascomb* at Montreal, who knew where he was."

That Bishop *Taché* says: "I wrote to Father *Lascomb* immediately after the communication with Mr. *Morris*, about the first week in January, that very likely the Canadian Government would open negotiations "with him about *Riel's* election;" and that Father *Lascomb* informed Bishop *Taché* that Mr. *Dorion* had communicated with him, either directly, or through some one else; which was negatived.

The question being then put on the main motion; it was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Archibald,	Cook,	Kerr,	Pickard,
Aylmer,	Costigan,	Killam,	Pouliot,
Bain,	Cougal,	Kirk,	Pozer,
Barthe,	Cunningham,	Laflamme,	Ray,
Bécharde,	Cushing,	Laird,	Richard,
Bertram,	Dawson,	Lajoie,	Robillard,
Biggar,	DeCosmos,	Landerkin,	Roscoe,
Blackburn,	Delorme,	Langlois,	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Blain,	De St. Georges,	Laurier,	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Blake,	Devlin,	Macdonald (<i>Cornwall</i>),	Rymal,
Borden,	Donahue,	Macdonald (<i>Glengarry</i>),	Scatcherd,
Borron,	Dymond,	MacDonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Seriver,
Bourassa,	Ferris,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Shibley,
Bowman,	Fiset,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Sinclair,
Boyer,	Fleming,	Mackenzie (<i>Montreal</i>),	Skinner,
Brooks,	Forbes,	Maciennan,	Smith (<i>Peel</i>),
Brouse,	Fournier,	McCraney,	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Buell,	Fréchette,	McGregor,	Snider,
Burk,	Galbraith,	McIntyre,	Stirton,
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Geoffrion,	McIsaac,	St. Jean,
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Gibson,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	Taschereau,
Cameron (<i>Ontario</i>),	Gillies,	Metcalfe,	Thibaudeau,
Carmichael,	Gillmor,	Mills,	Thompson (<i>Haldimand</i>),
Cartwright,	Gordon,	Moss,	Thompson (<i>Welland</i>),
Casey,	Goudge,	Murray,	Tremblay,
Casgrain,	Hagar,	Norris,	Trow,
Cauchon,	Hall,	Oliver,	Vail,
Charlton,	Holton,	Paterson,	Wallace (<i>Albert</i>),
Cheval,	Horton,	Pelletier,	Wilkes,
Church,	Huntington,	Perry,	Wood,
Cockburn,	Irving,	Pettes,	Young,—126.
Coffin,	Jetté,		

NAYS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Gaudet,	McDougall (<i>Three Rivers</i>),	Robitaille,
Baby,	Gill,	McQuade,	Rochester,
Bowell,	Haggart,	Mitchell,	Ross (<i>Prince Edward</i>),
Brown,	Harwood,	Monteith,	Rouleau,
Bunster,	Hurteau,	Montplaisir,	Ryan,
Caron,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Mousseau,	Stephenson,
Cimon,	Kirkpatrick,	Orton,	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Currier,	Lanthier,	Quimet,	Tupper,
Desjardins,	Little,	Pinsonneault,	Wallace (<i>Norfolk</i>),
Domville,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Platt,	White,
Dugas,	McMillan,	Plumb,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>),
Farrow,	Masson,	Pope,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>).—50.
Fletcher,	McCallum,		

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (*Lambton*), the said Resolution was referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Mackenzie* (*Lambton*), *Fournier*, *Geoffrion*, *Holton*, *Cauchon*, and *Blake*, to prepare and report the draft of an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, in conformity with the said Resolution.—

Mr. *Mackenzie* (*Lambton*), from said Committee, then reported the draft of an Address, and the same being read a second time, was agreed to, and is as follows:—

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir FREDERIC TEMPLE, Earl of Dufferin, Viscount and Baron Clandeboye of Clandeboye, in the County Down, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron *Dufferin* and Clandeboye of Ballyleidy and Killecagh, in the County Down, in the Peerage of Ireland, and a Baronet, Knight of the Most Illustrious Order of *St. Patrick* and Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of Canada, and Vice Admiral of the same.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of Canada in Parliament assembled, humbly approach Your Excellency for the purpose of representing :

That from the evidence reported to this House by the Committee appointed last session on the questions arising out of the North-West troubles, it appears that the late Sir *G. E. Cartier*, Minister of Militia and Defence, and during Sir *J. A. Macdonald's* illness acting Minister of Justice, leader of the Government, and its representative in its negotiations with the delegates from the North-West, at various times, gave divers persons of prominence in the North-West amongst whom were Archbishop *Taché*, Father *Ritchot*, the Hon. *M. A. Girard* and the Hon. *J. Royal* assurances that a complete amnesty would be granted by the Imperial Government in respect of all acts committed by all persons during the North-West troubles, and requested that these assurances should be as they were communicated to the interested parties.

That from the same evidence it further appears that the envoy of the Canadian Government, Archbishop *Taché*, acting in the *bona fide* belief that he was authorized to do so, assured the people of the North-West, that the Imperial Government would grant such an amnesty; and the Canadian Government did not communicate to the people any disavowal of this action.

That from the same evidence it further appears that the interested parties became, by means of the said assurances convinced that such an amnesty would be granted; and that this conviction so effected their action as to facilitate the acquisition of the territory by Canada.

That from the same evidence it further appears, that, on the occasion of the raid of Fenians, led by *W. B. O'Donohue*, one of the actors in the North-West troubles, the Hon. *A. G. Archibald*, Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba, in the name of Her Most Gracious Majesty, the Queen, by proclamation called on all the inhabitants to rally to its defence; and especially asked through Father *Ritchot*, the aid of *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine*, and in reply to a letter from Father *Ritchot* on the subject, wrote the following letter:—

“GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Oct. 5th, 1871.

“REVEREND SIR,—Your note has just reached me. You speak of difficulties which might impede any action of Mr. *Riel* in coming forward to use his influence with his fellow citizens, to rally to the support of the Crown in the present emergency. •

“Should Mr. *Riel* come forward as suggested, he need be under no apprehension that his liberty will be interfered with in any way; to use your own language, ‘*pour la circonstance actuelle.*’

“It is hardly necessary for me to add that the co-operation of the French half-breeds and their leaders in the support of the Crown under present circumstances will be very welcome and cannot be looked upon otherwise than as entitling them to most favorable consideration.

“Let me add that in giving you this assurance with promptitude I feel myself entitled to be met in the same spirit.

“The sooner the French half-breeds assume the attitude in question the more graceful will be their action and the more favorable their influence.

“I have the honor to be, Revd. Sir,

“Yours truly,

“(Signed)

A. G. ARCHIBALD,

“Lieutenant-Governor.

“Revd. *Père Ritchot*,
“St. Norbert.”

And subsequently in reply to a letter to him on the same subject from *L. Riel*, *A. D. Lepine* and *P. Paranteau*, caused the following letter to be sent:—

“GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

“FORT GARRY, Oct. 8th, 1871.

“GENTLEMEN,—I have it in command from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to acknowledge receipt of your note of this morning assuring His Excellency of the hearty response of the Metis to the appeal made to them in His Excellency's Proclamation.

“You may say to the people on whose behalf you write that His Excellency is much gratified to receive the assurance which he anticipated in his communication with the Rev. *Père Ritchot*, and which your letter conveys, and that he will take the earliest opportunity to transmit to his Excellency the Governor General this evidence of the loyalty and good faith of the Metis of Manitoba.

“His Excellency will be pleased to be furnished as soon as possible with a nominal list of persons in each parish who desire to enrol for active service in the present emergency.

“His Excellency will rely upon their readiness to come forward the moment they receive notice.

“I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

“Your obedient servant,

“W. F. BUCHANAN,

“Acting Private Secretary.

“To *M. L. Riel*,
“*A. D. Lepine*,
“*Pierre Paranteau.*”

That from the same evidence it further appears that the said *L. Riel*, *A. D. Lepine* and *P. Paranteau* accordingly raised a large body of men to assist in the defence of the Province and marched them to the vicinity of Fort Garry where they were received and their services accepted by the Lieutenant Governor who shook hands with *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* as leaders of the force and by a subsequent proclamation recognized their services; and that the action of the Lieutenant Governor was not disavowed by the Canadian Government which continued him in his place and thereafter promoted him to the Lieutenant Governorship of Nova Scotia.

That from the same evidence it further appears that Sir *J. A. Macdonald*, then first Minister of Canada and Minister of Justice, in Dec. 1871, after the Fenian Raid was over, entered into negotiations through Archbishop *Taché*, with the said *L. Riel* for his retirement from the Province of Manitoba for the space of a year, and for his maintenance during this expatriation out of the public funds of Canada, and in order to induce him so to retire, pointed out to the Archbishop that the proposed step would improve the chances of obtaining the amnesty from Her Majesty's Government, and stated that he would exert his personal influence to procure action in the matter by Her Majesty's Government, and that he would so far make *Riel's* case his own, and having so induced the Archbishop to interfere, sent him the promised sum which was taken from the Secret Service Fund placed at the disposal of his Government by Parliament, with the following letter:—

“OTTAWA, Dec. 27th, 1871.

“MY DEAR LORD ARCHBISHOP,—I have been able to make the arrangement for the individual that we have talked about. I now send you a sight draft on the Bank of Montreal for \$1,000. I need not press upon your Grace the importance of the money being paid to him periodically (say monthly or quarterly) and not in a lump, otherwise the money would be wasted and our embarrassments begin again. The payment should spread over a year.

“Believe me, your Grace's very obedient servant,

“JOHN A. MACDONALD.

“His Grace

“The Archbishop

“of St. Boniface, Manitoba.”

That from the same evidence it further appears, that Sir *G. E. Cartier*, Minister of Militia and Defence, afterwards communicated with Archbishop *Taché*, requesting that *A. D. Lepine* should be included in the same arrangement, and that the Archbishop was, on his return to Manitoba, further requested by Lieutenant Governor *Archibald* to procure the expatriation of the said persons, and in order to make a sufficient provision for the maintenance of themselves and their families the Lieutenant Governor procured from the Hudson's Bay Company the further sum of £600, and that the Archbishop thereupon induced *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* to consent to the request of Sir *J. A. Macdonald*, Sir *G. E. Cartier* and *A. G. Archibald*, and that they departed accordingly, and they and their families received for their maintenance said sums of \$1,000 and £600.

That thereafter and during the General Election of 1872, *L. Riel* was contesting Provencher with Attorney General *Clarke*, when, at the request of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, First Minister and Minister of Justice, Lieutenant Governor *Archibald* arranged that both the said Candidates should retire in order that Sir *G. E. Cartier*, Minister of Militia, might be elected for the County, and he was elected accordingly, and publicly received, and acknowledged the congratulations of *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* on the event.

That from the said evidence it further appears that Sir *John A. Macdonald*, First Minister and Minister of Justice, gave assurances to Archbishop *Taché* to his Quebec colleagues and others, that he would on his intended visit to England press on Her Majesty's Government to take up the question, thinking that they might see their way to granting a complete amnesty without the Canadian Government being responsible for it, to which he had no objection, and which would he believed, be loyally accepted by the Canadian people.

That in the opinion of this House it is not for the honor or interest of Canada that the question of amnesty should remain longer in its present shape.

That in the opinion of this House the facts developed in the said evidence cannot be ignored by the people or the Parliament of Canada, and must be considered in the expression of their views as to the disposition of the question.

That in the opinion of this House it would be proper, considering the said facts, that a full amnesty should be granted to all persons concerned in the North-West troubles for all acts committed by them during the said troubles, saving only *L. Riel*, *A. D. Lepine* and *W. D. O'Donohue*.

That in the opinion of this House it would be proper, considering the said facts, that a like amnesty should be granted to *L. Riel* and *A. D. Lepine* conditional on five years' banishment from Her Majesty's Dominions.

We, therefore, humbly pray that Your Excellency will be pleased to take such steps as may be best calculated to carry into effect the measures which we have ventured humbly to represent as being in our opinion desirable and right under the circumstances to which we have respectfully called Your Excellency's attention.

The said Address was then ordered to be engrossed, and to be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

A Message was received from the Senate, naming the Hon. Messrs. *Allan, Baillargeon, Bourinot, Chapais, Cornwall, Haythorne, Wilmot, Trudel, Ryan, Reesor, Miller, and Alexander*, as Members of a Committee to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, as far as the interests of that House are concerned, and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.—

Also, naming the Hon. Messrs. *Aikins, Bellerose, Bureau, Carrall, Cochrane, Ferrier, Haythorne, Miller, Penny, Macfarlane, Simpson, Reesor, Scott and Wilmot*, to act on behalf of that House with the Committee of the House of Commons, as a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of Parliament.

The House then adjourned at 2:30 A. M., until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Cimon—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government are aware that there exists in the River Saguenay, at the place known as *Bras de Chicoutimi*, a shoal of about half a mile in length, on which, at low tide, there is not a sufficient depth of water to allow steamboats and the numerous other vessels trading in those waters to pass on their way to Chicoutimi, their port of destination; and whether, being aware of that fact, it is the intention of the Government, in the interest of commerce and navigation, to instruct their Engineers to visit the locality and report as to the works required to be done to enable vessels to reach Chicoutimi in all states of the tide?

Mr. Cook—On Monday next—BILL to amend “The Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874.”

Mr. Norris—On Monday next—That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of any correspondence which may have taken place between the Government of Canada and that of the United States in reference to the stringent regulations compelling Canadian Vessels to call and report at Duncan City in the Straits of Mackinaw before being allowed to enter into Lake Michigan; and also in reference to the Tonnage dues imposed on all Canadian Vessels annually in American Ports.

Mr. Norris—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Estimates and Reports of the Engineers in charge of the Welland Canal, shewing the cost of removing the rock bottom at Raney's Bend with a view to obtaining Lake Erie level.

Mr. Cook—On Monday next—BILL to provide means of escape for persons falling into the water in the vicinity of Wharves and Docks.

Mr. Bunster—On Monday next—That owing to the almost immediate commencement of the works of construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway on the Island of Vancouver and the prosecution of similar works on the Mainland of British Columbia which will shortly follow, both of which will at once attract a large immigration into that Province for the purpose of settlement, it is very desirable that the Dominion Government should at once take steps to have the Dominion Lands of the Province surveyed and an office established there where intending settlers can obtain reliable information and be enabled to purchase lands with the utmost facility.

Mr. Bunster—On Monday next—That the Wine refreshment part of this House be re-opened for the convenience of Members.

Mr. Mitchell—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to expend during the coming season a sum of money in the improvement of the navigation of the South-West Branch of the River Miramichi from Newcastle to Boiestown?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to expend any sum in the deepening of the Bar at the entrance of the Miramichi River during the coming season?

Mr. *Wilkes*—On Tuesday next—SELECT COMMITTEE to report on the question of the Dominion Note circulation generally, and as to whether the continuance of such currency in circulation is in the Public Interest; such Committee to have power to send for persons papers and records.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a return of all tenders for the construction of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway, with Orders in Council, correspondence and all papers relating thereto.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copy of the prospectus and terms of the Loan of 1874; the number and names of the parties or firms tendering; the names of the persons or firms to whom the loan was allotted, with the sums to each respectively.

No. 6.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 15TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

Eight Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *Aaron Miller* and others, of the Parish of Lacolle, County of St. Johns; of the Council of the Municipality of Marston, of *Allan McLeod* and others, of Marston, of *James Rich* and others, of Brookbury, of *William Ellis* and others, of Hereford, of the Council of the Municipality of Lingwick, and of the Reverend *T. Brassard*, Curé, and others of St. Romain de Winslow, all of the County of Compton; and of *D. McHarg* and others, of Leeds, County of Megantic; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the St. Catharines Board of Trade; praying that the depth of water in the enlarged Welland Canal may be increased, so that the largest class of vessels employed on the Upper Lakes may pass freely downward to Lake Ontario.

Of *Henry William Peterson*, of the Town of Guelph, in the County of Wellington and Province of Ontario, Barrister-at-Law; praying for the passing of an Act to declare his marriage with *Emma Grange* to be dissolved, and that he be divorced from her.

On motion of *Mr. Masson*, *Mr. Rouleau* was added to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton) introduced a Bill (No. 10) for the better protection of persons and property conveyed by Railways.—Second reading on Friday next.—

Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry) introduced a Bill (No. 11) to amend the Act for the regulation of the Postal Service.—Second reading on Friday next.—

Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton) introduced a Bill (No. 12) to amend the Acts for better preservation of the peace in the vicinity of Public Works.—Second reading to-morrow.—

Mr. Irving introduced a Bill (No. 13) to provide for the institution of suits against the Crown by Petition of Right, and respecting procedure in Crown suits.—Second reading on Wednesday next.—

Mr. Cook introduced a Bill (No. 14) to amend "*the Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874.*"—Second reading on Wednesday next.—

On motion of *Mr. Wilkes*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a copy of the Engineer's Report on the condition of the Harbor of the City of Toronto; and also for copies of Orders in Council, if any, concerning proposed improvements of the same.

Mr. *Brouse* moved, that a Committee be appointed to consider and report upon a system of Military Drill, in connection with the School systems of the several Provinces; with power to send for persons and papers; said Committee to consist of Messrs. *Brouse, Blake, Tupper, Holton, Cameron* (Cardwell), *Dymond, Mills, Archibald, Bowell, Skinner, Masson, Laurier, Biggar, Kerr, and Ross* (Prince Edward.)

Mr. *Cameron* (South Ontario) moved in amendment, that so far from its being desirable, that our youths should be taught in schools the art of war, and a Military spirit engendered, that the doctrines of peace, and love and universal brotherhood be inculcated, and that our Government would add greatly to its popularity, if it were to make an effort by Ministerial delegation to the Mother Country, to the United States at Washington, and to the Government at Paris, to endeavor to obtain a treaty of peace on a basis of *decision by arbitration*, in case of any difficulty arising with any one of those powers,—that said difficulties be referred to a Committee of four persons, to be named by the other two.

And a Debate arising thereon;

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) moved, that the House do now adjourn; which was agreed to.

And the House adjourned accordingly.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell)—On Wednesday next—BILL to amend the Law relating to Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.

Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell)—On Wednesday next—BILL to amend the Law relating to Criminal Procedure.

Mr. *Ryan*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Why the allotment of lands to the children of the half-breed heads of families under the provisions of the “Manitoba Act” has been stopped, and when the distribution of said lands will be made?

Mr. *Ryan*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—When the distribution of land or scrip will be made to the half-breed heads of families, under the provisions of the Act of last Session, entitled “An Act respecting the appropriation of certain Dominion Lands in Manitoba?”

Mr. *Ryan*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to repeal or amend the “Act respecting claims to lands in Manitoba for which no Patents have issued,” or to provide another method than the one therein provided for the trial of claims for Patents under the Manitoba Act.

Mr. *Horton*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have determined the Territorial Limits of the Inspection Districts under Chapter 47, 36 *Victoria*; and if so, what are the limits of the Inspection Districts for the Province of Ontario?

Mr. *Cunningham*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intend laying before this House, at an early date this Session, the Report of the Pacific Railway Survey in British Columbia during the past year, and whether they intend locating the proposed line of Railway on the mainland during the ensuing year?

Mr. *De Cosmos*—On Thursday next—That the Western Union Telegraph Company be informed that the Government expect that in return for the subsidy granted to the Company, greater regularity should exist in the transmission of messages between Victoria and San Francisco than has hitherto existed; and that better provision be made to secure secrecy in the transmission of despatches through their office in Victoria.

That the attention of the Government be also directed to the importance of making better provision for the regular transmission of despatches with greater secrecy than now obtains over the Government telegraph line between Victoria and Barkerville.

Mr. Blake—On Wednesday next—**BILL** to declare the true construction of an Act respecting enquiries concerning public matters.

Mr. Forbes—On Wednesday next—**ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY**—Whether the Government has accepted any Tender for the conveyance of Mails between the British West Indies, Foreign West Indies and British Guiana and the Dominion of Canada during the present year; if so, when will the service commence, will it be fortnightly or monthly; to whom was the contract awarded, and what is the amount of contract, also what is the length of contract?

Mr. Landerkin—On Wednesday next—**ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY**—Whether it is the intention of the Government to reduce the percentage now charged on Post Office Money Orders?

Mr. Landerkin—On Wednesday next—**ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY**—Whether it is the intention of the Government to abolish Bill Stamps now used on Promissory Notes?

Mr. Goudge—On Wednesday next—**ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY**—Whether the Government intend during the present year erecting a Light House upon the Isle of Haute in the Bay of Fundy.

Mr. McIntyre—On Wednesday next—**ADDRESS** to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of the contract entered into between this Government and *James King*, Esquire, of Halifax, N. S. for the purpose of running a Steamer between Georgetown or other convenient Port in Prince Edward Island and Pictou or other convenient Port in Nova Scotia, during the Winter Season.

Mr. Burpee (Sunbury)—On Wednesday next—**ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY**—Whether the Government intend during this Session to introduce a measure compelling the prepayment of all matter carried by mail in this Dominion.

Mr. Domville—On Wednesday next—**ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY**—What progress has been made towards opening for Traffic the Branch Railway of the Interecolonial to the Ballast Wharf St. John, N. B.; also whether any, and what arrangements have been made to acquire the Ballast Wharf from the Corporation?

Mr. Domville—On Wednesday next—**ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY**—What the Government intend to do in regard to the claims of *Matthew Smith* of King's County, New Brunswick?

Mr. Mills—On Wednesday next—**ADDRESS** to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government of Canada and the Government of Great Britain in reference to the monetary compensation to be paid by the United States to Canada, under the Treaty of Washington, for the liberty of fishing in Canadian Waters; also, for any correspondence on the same subject between the Government of Great Britain and the United States, communicated to His Excellency for the information of the Canadian Government.

Mr. Cheval—On Wednesday next—**ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY**—Whether it is the intention of the Government to withdraw from circulation the twenty cent silver piece of money, its close resemblance to the twenty-five cent piece making it a nuisance to the public?

Mr. Cheval—On Wednesday next—**ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY**—Whether it is the intention of the Government to see that the Hansard is printed in both languages, English and French?

Mr. Scriver—On Wednesday next—**ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY**—Whether the Government have made or intend to make any effort to effect an arrangement with the American Government for the establishment of an International Money Order System?

Mr. Ross (Middlesex)—On Wednesday next—**ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY**—When the remaining volumes of the census of 1871 are to be brought down.

Mr. Fiset—On Wednesday next—**ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY**—Whether it is the intention of the Government to provide by special Legislation, regarding the Intercolonial Railway, means for the recovery of lost goods or effects?

Mr. Thompson (Cariboo)—On Wednesday next—**ADDRESS** to His Excellency the Governor General; praying [that he will take the necessary steps to have the boundary line between British Columbia and the North-West Territory (especially towards the North-Eastern boundary of the former) defined without delay, in view of the anticipated extensive immigration to the recently discovered gold mines on the Arctic Watershed.

Mr. Thompson (Cariboo)—On Wednesday next—**ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY**—Whether it is the intention of the Government to proceed this year with any work for the purpose of rendering navigable any portion of the Fraser River between Lillooet and Soda Creek; and if so, of what nature?

Mr. MacDonnell (Inverness)—On Wednesday next—**ADDRESS** to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of the different reports, if more than one, and Estimates of Mr. Page, Chief Engineer, on and

of the cost of construction of the proposed Baie Verte Canal; also of the different tenders received, if any, for such construction.

Mr. *Wallace* (South Norfolk)—On Wednesday nsxt—That a letter bearing date “Ottawa, November 23rd, 1874,” addressed by the Honorable *A. Mackenzie* to *John Stuart*, Esq., of Hamilton, and relating to the account in connection with the Canadian Pacific Railway Survey of *William Wallace*, now a Member of this House, be referred to a Committee of Five Members, with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to report thereon with all convenient speed.

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

Twelve Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the first Report of the said Committee, recommending a reduction of their quorum to seven Members.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, reported *severally* on the following Petitions, viz:—Of the Montreal Board of Trade; of *R. A. Hubert* and others, of the Province of Quebec, for an Act of Incorporation under the name of *Banque Saint Jean Baptiste*; of the Imperial Building, Savings and Investment Company; for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Company; of the London and Canada Bank, for amendments to their Act of Incorporation; of the Canadian Gas Lighting Company, for incorporation; of the Industrial Life Insurance Company, for Incorporation; of *John Mather* and others. Provisional President and Directors of the Company, to be called the Lower Ottawa Boom Company; and of *Henry William Peterson*, of the Town of Guelph, in the County of Wellington and Province of Ontario, Barrister-at-Law, for the passing of an Act to declare his marriage with *Emma Grange* to be dissolved, and that he be divorced from her.

Mr. *Cameron* (Ontario) introduced a Bill (No. 15) to amend the Act incorporating the London and Canada Bank.—Second reading to-morrow.—

Mr. *Moss* introduced a Bill (No. 16) to change the name of the Imperial Building, Savings and Investment Company to that of The Imperial Loan and Investment Company.—Second reading on Friday next.—

Mr. *Irving* introduced a Bill (No. 17) to extend and amend the Law requiring Railroad Companies to furnish Returns of their Capital, Traffic and Working Expenditure.—Second reading on Thursday next.—

Mr. *Fournier* introduced a Bill (No. 18) to amend the Acts respecting Controverted Elections.—Second reading on Friday next.—

Mr. *Moss* introduced a Bill (No. 19) for suppressing Gaming Houses, and to punish the keepers thereof.—Second reading on Friday next.—

The House went into Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was then adopted:—

2. To defray salaries of the Governor General Secretary's office, \$8,025.00

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again, to-morrow.—

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *De Cosmos*—On Wednesday, 24th February—That the practice of granting Divorces by Act of Parliament is, for many reasons objectionable, and that relief in all matters matrimonial would be best secured by creating a Court in each of the Provinces, with exclusive jurisdiction in matters matrimonial, and with authority, in certain cases, to decree a dissolution of marriage.

Mr. *Macdougall* (East Elgin)—On Thursday next—BILL to amend the Act for the more speedy trial in certain cases of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

Mr. *Orton*—On Friday next—SPECIAL COMMITTEE on the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion.

Mr. *Fournier*—On Friday next—BILL entitled "An Act respecting Penitentiaries and the Inspection thereof, and for other purposes."

Mr. *Blain*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for Returns of Reports of surveys of the St. Lawrence River, and the probable estimates of improving the navigation of the River to twelve feet of water and also of fourteen feet of water.

Sir *John Macdonald*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General; praying that he will be pleased to cause a Return to be prepared and laid before the House showing, with respect to the allowances and gratuities granted under the Act 33 Vic., Cap. 4—since the beginning of the year 1874—the grounds of superannuation in each case, the age of each person superannuated, the names and ages of the persons appointed to succeed the person so superannuated, and the offices and salaries held by such successors respectively.

Sir *John Macdonald*—On Thursday next—That the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery be ordered to lay before the House, without delay, a statement shewing,

1st. The vacancies that have occurred in this House since the last General Election, the date when each vacancy took place, and when the same was notified to Mr. Speaker;

2nd. The date of the warrant of Mr. Speaker for a new Writ in each case;

3rd. The date of the issue of the Writ in each case;

4th. The date of the transmission of the Writ to the Returning Officer in each case.

Sir *John Macdonald*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he may be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a Return of all applications made by persons who served in the Militia Volunteer Force in Manitoba, and who have been invalided or discharged before the termination of their term of enlistment, for grants of land in that Province.

Mr. *Ross* (East Middlesex)—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying him to cause to be laid before the House a Return shewing the number of Books registered under the Copyright Act of 1868, during the years 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873 and 1874; the Return also to shew by whom the Books were printed, and where, by whom the Books were published and where; and the names of the owners of copyrights.

Mr. *Baby*—On Thursday next—That notwithstanding the adoption during last Session, of the seventh Report of the Joint Committee of the House on the Printing of Parliament, reducing to two the copies of the Votes and Proceedings of the House of Commons now distributed to each member of this House, said number of copies be increased to eight, the number distributed before the adoption of said Report.

Mr. *Tupper*—Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence between the Government or their Officers and the Spring Hill Mining Company, for all Orders in Council relating to the said Company, and any agreements that may have been made with the same.

Mr. *Cauchon*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to institute an enquiry into the working of the Voluntary Militia Organization, especially in the Province of Quebec, and into the abuses connected therewith some of which have been established before the Committee on Public Accounts in a previous Session?

No. 8.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 17TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that the Clerk of The House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Certificate of the Election and Return of *Thomas Greenway*, Esq., Member to represent the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Huron.

Mr. Speaker also laid before The House,—List of Stockholders of the Metropolitan Bank, on the 15th February, 1875, under the provisions of the Act 34 Vict., Cap. 5, Sec: 12.

Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton), laid before The House,—Official Return of the distribution of the Dominion Statutes of Canada, being 37 Victoria, 1st Session of the 3rd Parliament, 1874, under the provisions of the Act 31 Vict., Cap. 1, Sec: 14. (English and French versions).

Mr. Tait presented,—Return (*in part*) to Address of the 27th April, 1874; for a statement of the Fortifications, Lands, and Material of War, which were transferred to the Government of this country by the Imperial Government; also a Report of a competent officer on the state of repair of the several Forts and Buildings so transferred, and of the condition of the Material of War; also a return of such properties as have been conveyed to Municipal Corporations, if any; or of any lands that it is proposed by the Government to transfer to such Corporations.

Also,—Return to Address of the 8th instant; for a statement showing names, ages and places of residence of all Militiamen of 1812–13, who have applied to the Imperial Government through the Department of Militia and Defence for a pension, or indemnity.

Nineteen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of Sir *Hugh Allan* and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the St. Lawrence Bridge Company, with power to build a bridge for railway and general traffic purposes, at or near St. Helen's Island, near the City of Montreal.

Of the Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act to provide a more convenient and effective mode of issuing and securing the debentures of the Company to be issued under the borrowing powers already conferred upon them, and for regulating the powers of the Trustees.

Of *Robert Lees* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Royal Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada.

Of the Richelieu Company; praying for the passing of an Act to amend the several Acts relating to their Incorporation, and also for power to change their name to that of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company.

Of the Provincial Insurance Company of Canada; praying for the passing of an Act to amalgamate the several Acts relating to their Incorporation, and for certain amendments thereto.

Of the Consolidated European and North American Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm the articles of consolidation between the European and North American Railway Company for extension from St. John westward, in the Province of New Brunswick, and the European and North American Railway Company of the State of Maine, in the United States.

Of the Municipal Council of the Village of Danville, and of the Council of the Municipality of the County of Richmond, Province of Quebec; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), the first Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, was concurred in.

Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell) introduced a Bill (No. 20) to amend the Law relating to Criminal Procedure.—Second reading on Monday next.—

Also,—a Bill (No. 21) to amend the Law relating to Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Cook* introduced a Bill (No. 22) to provide means of escape for persons falling into the water in the vicinity of wharves and docks.—Second reading on Monday next.—

On motion of Mr. *Gordon*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, praying that copies of Returns may be laid before this House, setting forth:—

1st. The entire quantity of ground gypsum, or land plaster, imported into the Dominion of Canada from the United States, since the 1st day of April, 1874.

2nd. For the respective quantities of said ground gypsum, or land plaster, imported from the United States, as received at the several Lake and River Ports of the Dominion.

3rd. For the entire sum collected as Revenue from the said article of ground gypsum, or land plaster, between the 1st day of April, and the 1st day of December, 1874.

Mr. *Roscoe* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency, praying him to call the attention of Her Majesty's Government to the necessity of having the Boundary Line between British Columbia and Alaska defined and surveyed.

Mr. *De Cosmos* moved in amendment thereto, to add at the end thereof, the following words:—"And to the desirability of acquiring that portion of the Territory of Alaska extending North-westwardly from 50° 40' North Latitude, to the Meridian of Mount St. Elias."

And a Debate arising,—both motion and amendment were, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Cimon*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, praying him to cause to be laid before this House:—

1st. A statement showing the number of Rivers in the Counties of Saguenay, Chicoutimi, and Charlevoix, now under lease under the provisions of the Fisheries Act, the name of the lessee in each case, and the price for which each of them is so leased;

2nd. A statement showing the number of Fishing leases now in existence, granted for carrying on fisheries in the waters of the River St. Lawrence, in the Counties of Saguenay and Charlevoix, the rent to be paid under each lease, and the name of the party to whom it was granted;

3rd. A statement of the number of penalties inflicted by the Fishery Officers for contraventions of the Fisheries Act, setting forth the nature of each contravention, within the limits of the Counties of Chicoutimi, Charlevoix and Saguenay, since 1867.

Mr. *Young* moved, that The House resolve itself on Friday next, into a Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution:—

That the collection and early publication of full and accurate Statistics affecting the Commerce, Revenues, Population and material progress of the Dominion, is a matter of great importance, and in the opinion of this House it is highly desirable that the Government should establish a Board of Statistics, or take such other means as may be necessary to have our Statistics as complete, reliable and early published, as possible.

And a Debate arising thereon.—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Donville*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all special rates granted for freight on the Intercolonial Railroad, giving names of person or persons obtaining same and dates.

Also, a further Address, for all papers and correspondence connected with the contract for supplies to the Intercolonial Railway from the 1st June, to the 31st December, 1874, of Cars, Trucks, Bar Iron and Railway Materials; together with copies of tenders, giving names and dates.

On motion of Mr. *Dymond*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of any correspondence which may have taken place relating to Addresses of this House presented last Session to His Excellency on the subject of the Act to amend the Act respecting Copyrights of 1872, which Act was reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon.

On motion of Mr. *DeCosmos*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a copy of the Memorandum of the Chief Engineer of the Canadian Pacific Railway, referred to in a Report of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by the Governor General on the 7th June, 1873.

On motion of Mr. *Galbraith*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a copy of the Report of *L. G. Bell*, C. E., on the exploration made by him of the route of the Huron and Ottawa Railway, from Ottawa City to Parry's Sound; together with all maps, or papers, accompanying the same.

On motion of Mr. *Norris*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of any correspondence which may have taken place between the Government of Canada and that of the United States in reference to the stringent regulations compelling Canadian Vessels to call and report at *Duncan City* in the Straits of Mackinaw before being allowed to enter into Lake Michigan; and also in reference to the Tonnage dues imposed on all Canadian Vessels annually in American Ports.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a copy of the prospectus and terms of the loan of 1874; the number and names of the parties or firms tendering; the names of the persons or firms to whom the loan was allotted, with the sums to each respectively.

Also,—A further Address for a return of all tenders for the construction of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway, with orders in Council, correspondence, and all papers relating thereto.

Mr. *Mills* moved that an Address be voted to His Excellency for copies of all correspondence between the Government of Canada and the Government of Great Britain in reference to the monetary compensation to be paid by the United States to Canada, under the Treaty of Washington, for the liberty of fishing in Canadian waters; also for any correspondence on the same subject between the Governments of Great Britain and the United States, communicated to His Excellency, for the information of the Canadian Government.

And a debate arising thereon;

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) moved that the House do now adjourn, which was agreed to.

And the House adjourned accordingly.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Plumb*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying that he will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House all the correspondence, despatches and papers connected with the negotiations with the Government of the United States for a Treaty of Commercial Reciprocity.

Mr. *Masson*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to extend to Canadians who have emigrated to the United States and other immigrants the advantage which they propose to extend to Menonites?

Mr. *Laird*—On Friday next—BILL to amend the Act respecting claims to lands in Manitoba for which no Patents have issued.

Mr. *Geoffrion*—On Friday next—BILL to amend the Gas Inspection Act of 1873.

Mr. *Casey*—On Friday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to consider the following Resolutions:

That the present system of nomination to situations in the Civil Service is not the most convenient, nor the one best calculated to obtain efficient Public Officers.

That it would be expedient to substitute for it, as far as the exigencies of the Service will allow, a system of open competitive examinations as a means of obtaining entrance into the Public Service.

Mr. *Ross* (East Middlesex)—On Monday next—Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution:—

That during the Session of 1873 petitions were presented to this House signed by 39,223 individuals praying for a Prohibitory Liquor Law; that during the Session of 1874 similar petitions were presented

signed by 133,465 individuals; that petitions were also presented by Municipal Corporations representing 478,756 persons; that petitions were presented by the Legislative Assemblies of Ontario and New Brunswick and by various religious bodies all praying for a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

That petitions signed by 349,294 persons were presented to the Honorable the Senate praying for the same.

That a Select Committee to whom the petitions presented to this House were referred, in their report dated May 8th, 1873, said:—

That the traffic in intoxicating liquors is an unmitigated evil—widespread in its effects—reaching with more or less virulence every class of the community, destroying and blighting with its baneful influence the existence of many of the most useful and promising members of society—producing untold domestic misery and destitution, and leading to the formation of habits alike opposed to the moral and intellectual advancement and prosperity of the country.

That in examining the answers received from the Sheriffs, Prison Inspectors, Coroners and Police Magistrates, one hundred and fourteen of whom have voluntarily given evidence, Your Committee find that four-fifths of the crime committed in the Province of Ontario are directly or indirectly connected with the manufacture, sale and consumption of intoxicating liquors.

Your Committee further find, on examining the reports of the Prison Inspectors for the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, that out of 28,289 commitments to the jails for the three previous years, 21,236 were committed either for drunkenness or for crimes perpetrated under the influence of drink."

That the Select Committee of the Senate, to whom the Petitions to that Honorable House were referred, in their Report bearing date May 14th, 1873, said:—

The united unvarying testimony of all the Petitioners is that the vice of intemperance is spreading mainly in consequence of the facilities afforded for the sale of intoxicating liquors. That the traffic in these liquors is the prolific cause of three-fourths of the crime and pauperism in the country. That so long as the traffic is licensed and protected by law, the evils resulting from intemperance cannot be repressed, all the various attempts by stringent license laws having signally failed, and they therefore pray for absolute prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as beverages."

That Commissioners, by order of His Excellency the Governor General, were appointed during the Recess with instructions "to visit the States of the neighboring union in which Prohibitory Laws are, or have been in force to make an enquiry into the success which has attended the working of such laws and to report, as well as on other essential facts connected therewith."

That after a very careful examination of those laws in those States where the same were enforced it was clearly shewn that crime and pauperism were reduced and the moral, social and material interests of society very beneficially affected; but that the success of those laws was largely dependent upon the favor with which they were received by those for whose benefit they were enacted.

That in view of these facts it is the opinion of this House that a Prohibitory Liquor Law fully carried out, is the only effectual remedy for the evils inflicted upon society by intemperance and that Parliament is prepared as soon as public opinion will efficiently sustain stringent measures, to promote such legislation as will prohibit the manufacture, importation and sale of intoxicating liquors, so far as the same is within the competency of this House.

Mr. *De Cosmos*—March 3rd, 1875—THAT in view of extending the commerce of the Dominion on the Pacific, it is desirable that the Government take into consideration the advisableness of securing a commercial treaty between Canada and the Hawaiian Kingdom, similar to the treaty negotiated between that Kingdom and the United States.

Mr. *Forbes*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY.—Whether any provision has been made to render the storm signals throughout the Dominion, more reliable by an appropriation sufficiently large to accomplish the same; also, whether any arrangement has been entered into with Telegraph Companies to forward information to stations at the earliest possible moment?

Mr. *Tupper*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Who performed the duties of Agent General of Canada at the office in London, during the absence in this country of that officer, in September and October last?

No. 9.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 17TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

2nd Session, 3rd Parliament, 38 Victoria, 1875.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

Charles Frederick Ferguson, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the N. R. of the County of Leeds and Grenville having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Lists of Stockholders of the Bank of Montreal, on the 1st January, 1875,—of the Bank of Nova Scotia, on the 11th February, 1875,—and of the Bank of St. Hyacinthe on the 13th February, 1875, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Vict.*, Cap. 5, Sec. 12.

Eleven Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *John S. Scarlett* and others, of the District of Muskoka; praying that any measure brought before Parliament having for its object the amalgamation of the Northern Extension Railways Company with the Northern Railway Company, may be granted.

Of *David Sinclair*, of Montreal, and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of The *Intelligencer* Printing and Publishing Company.

Of *James Harrison* and others, of the County of Hastings; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of The Belleville and Ottawa River Railway Company.

Of the Great Western Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm and declare valid certain indentures made between the Niagara Falls International Bridge Company, the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company, and the Great Western Railway Company, and for other purposes.

Of the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm their present charter, and also for power to erect Booms, Dams, and Piers wherever the same may be deemed necessary on the River Ottawa, between the City of Ottawa and a point known as Des Joachins, in the Province of Quebec.

Of the Great Western Railway Company; praying for certain Amendments to their Acts of Incorporation.

Of *James Harrison* and others, of the Village of Bridgewater, County of Hastings; of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance of Ontario; of the Council of the Municipality of the south part of the

Township of Stukely, of *P. A. Curtis* and others, of the Township of Shefford, of *J. M. Watson* and others, of Mawcook, and of *William Hackwell* and others, of Boscobel, County of Shefford; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the second Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Report of the Sub-Committee appointed to audit the Printing Accounts, together with the Report of the Clerk of the Committee on the Printing Services of the past year, and "The Printing Account Balance Sheet," all of which they respectfully recommend to the consideration of both Houses.

The Committee would especially draw attention to that part of the Clerk's Report, and that of the Sub-Committee, relative to the tender for Binding. The Committee respectfully recommend that the substitution as therein asked for by Mr. *Grison*, namely the name of Mr. *O'Donoghue* for that of Mr. *Fréchette* be granted, provided that the necessary security be forthwith entered into.

REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE.

The Sub-Committee of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, to whom was referred the Accounts, together with the Balance Sheet, and the Clerk's Report on the services of the past year, beg leave to report as follows:—

That having carefully examined the Balance Sheet, with the Accounts and Vouchers connected therewith, the Sub-Committee report that, as usual, all was found correct and satisfactory.

The Books connected with the Printing Services are neatly and accurately kept, and in the opinion of the Sub-Committee, the Clerk deserves much credit for the simple, yet perfect manner, in which these books are arranged and kept.

The cost of the Printing Services of the past year are considerably in excess of those on the preceding one. This arises from several causes, but mainly from two. First, the bonus, or advance in the printing rates of 27 per cent. made to the late Contractor, and secondly, because the Accounts embrace the cost of the Printing Services of two Sessions.

The Sub-Committee beg to draw the attention of the Committee to the paragraph in the Clerk's Report respecting the Postage Account. It is their opinion that all public documents or printed matter mailed in the recess as well as during the Sessions of Parliament, and stamped with the Official Seal, should pass free, but as it appears that the law, as it now stands, will not permit this to be done, the Sub-Committee would recommend that the Chairman be authorized to wait upon the Postmaster-General, and endeavour to get this vexatious but trifling matter placed, by some means, on a more satisfactory footing.

The contracts entered into with the parties whose tenders were received and accepted last Session for the Parliamentary Printing, and the furnishing of the printing paper, have been examined and found correct, and in accordance therewith.

With regard to the tender which was at the same time accepted for the Binding, the Sub-Committee would beg to call attention to the correspondence that had taken place between the Clerk and Mr. *Fréchette*, of the firm of *Grison, Fréchette & Co.*, whose tender was then accepted. Mr. *Fréchette*, as it appears by his letter, dated 23rd Sept., 1874, has severed his connection with the firm, and withdraws his claim to the contract. Mr. *Grison*, in his letter, dated 9th February, 1875, states that *Daniel J. O'Donoghue* is substituted in the firm for Mr. *Fréchette*, and that he desires that the contract may be drawn in his own name and that of *D. J. O'Donoghue*.

No contract having been yet entered into, it will be for the Committee to decide upon the desirability or justice of allowing this change.

The Clerk's Report, together with the Balance Sheet, signed by the Sub-Committee as having been audited and found correct, are appended hereto.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. W. ROSS,
Chairman.

J. SIMPSON,
M. BOWELL.

Committee Room, 16th February, 1875.

REPORT OF THE CLERK.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
15th February, 1875.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Committee on Printing:—

GENTLEMEN,—I have nothing to Report out of the usual routine in connection with the Printing Service of the past year, with the exception that the parties whose tenders last Session were accepted for the printing and the furnishing of the printing paper, have signed their respective contracts, which I now submit for the inspection and approval of the Committee. Those contracts came into force on the 1st day of January, and so far the duties have been satisfactorily performed. The late contractor, Mr. *J. B. Taylor*, is still engaged in finishing the work pertaining to his late contract.

With regard to the Binding, the tender of Messrs *Grison, Fréchette & Co.* was accepted, but on notifying those parties that the contract was ready for signature, I received the following letter from Mr. *Fréchette*.

OTTAWA, Sept. 23rd, 1874.

H. HARTNEY, Esq.,
Chief Clerk Printing Committee.

"SIR,—I beg to inform you that I have severed my connection with the firm of *Grisson, Fréchette & Co.*,
"and further, that I withdraw my claim to the contract for the binding of Journals, &c., &c."

Yours respectfully,

A. FRÉCHETTE.

Under the circumstances, and as no binding would be required till after the present Session, I deemed it
advisable to stay all further proceedings and await the action of the Committee on its re-assembling.

On the 9th instant I also received the following letter from Mr. *Grisson*, in relation to the same subject:—

OTTAWA, Feb. 9th, 1875.

"HENRY HARTNEY, Esq.,

"SIR,—I beg to inform you that Mr. *Fréchette* having withdrawn from our firm since I tendered for the
"Binding, and made the deposit, and that *D. J. O'Donoghue* is substituted in my firm for him, and I wish
"the contract to be drawn in the name of myself and *D. J. O'Donoghue*, the deposit will be changed to the
"name of the new firm in the Bank.

"Your obd't. serv't.,

"L. A. GRISON."

I wish also to draw the attention of the Committee to our Postage Account.

Everything going out is carefully weighed, entered and charged before being sent, yet when the account
is rendered it never agrees with our books, yet it must be paid, for which purpose money is drawn from the
Treasury, and in due course re-paid back again; if the law could be so amended as to permit all printed
matter sent by Parliament to go free, this apparently unnecessary and fruitless labor would be avoided.

I beg to submit the Annual Balance Sheet, showing the cost of the Printing Services for the fiscal year
1873-4, which, together with the books, and the accounts, and vouchers for the verification of the same, are
ready for the audit.

I transmitted to the Honorable the Minister of Finance, an estimate of the sums that would probably be
required for Printing Services during the ensuing year, amounting to \$50,000, subject to the approval of the
Committee. This is a larger amount than usual, but as the prices to be paid under the new contracts are
considerably in advance of those paid under the old, I deemed it prudent to do so.

All which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY HARTNEY,
Clerk, Joint Committee on Printing.

Dr.

PARLIAMENTARY PRINTING ACCOUNT, Annual Balance Sheet from 1st July, 1873, to 30th June, 1874.

Cr.

	\$	cts.	Vouchers No.	\$	cts.
1873. July 1.....					
To value of Paper on hand from last Session	984	35	1		
To amount of Warrants issued Parliamentary Printing	47,000	00			
To amount of Warrants issued Departmental Reports	2,000	00			
To amount received for the Printing of Private Bills.....	634	31			
By Printing, I. B. Taylor, balance of last account					3,648 34
By Printing, I. B. Taylor.....					24,932 97
Less retained as representing the 20 per cent.....					3,836 81
By Binding.....			2		
By Printing Paper.....			3		
By Printing Paper on hand from last Session..					
Total value of Paper on hand.....					
Balance on hand for next Session.....					
Total cost of paper used.....					14,153 86
By Balance due Contractor on last account.....			4		
By Insurance.....			5		
By Salaries.....			6		
By Postage.....			7		
By Advertising.....			8		
By Miscellaneous.....			9		
By Superannuation Fund.....					
Total cost.....					\$51,590 61
By value of Paper on hand.....					1,595 34
Less Balance due Contractor.....					\$53,185 95
					2,567 29
					50,618 66

Total cost, as above.....\$51,590 61
Less paid on last account..... 851 24
\$50,739 37

REFUNDS :-

Departmental Reports.....\$2,000 00
Private Bills..... 634 31
\$2,634 31

Total cost, Parliamentary Printing.....\$48,106 06

Numerically calculated, the cost of each House will stand thus :-
The Senate.....\$13,211 96
The House of Commons..... 34,893 10
\$48,105 06

To Balance of Paper on hand :-

396 Reams of Royal, at \$2.95..... \$1,168 20
378 Reams of Foolscap, at \$1.13..... 427 14
\$1,595 34

COMMITTEE ROOM, 30th June, 1874.

February 16th, 1875—Examined and found correct.

GEO. W. ROSS, *Chairman*,
J. SIMPSON,
M. BOWELL.

HENRY HARTNEY,
Clerk, Department Printing of Parliament.

Mr. Ross (Middlesex), also presented the third Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, which is as follows:—

The first Report of their Sub-Committee appointed for the management of the Reporting and Publishing the Debates of the House of Commons, which is respectfully recommended for consideration.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
Thursday, 18th February, 1875.

The Sub-Committee to whom were referred the reference of the House of Commons concerning the Reporting and the publishing their Debates, submit as their *First Report* the following rules, which, in their opinion should control the contractors for the reporting and printing.

Rule 1. That the Contractor for the Reporting keep a book, in which an entry shall be made of the copy sent to the Printer, the hour at which such copy is sent, the receipt of the copy to be acknowledged by the Printer when received.

Rule 2. That the Contractor for the Reporting be held responsible for a fair and impartial summary of the Debates, for a prompt delivery of copy; and that the contractor for the Printing be held responsible for accurate proof-reading according to copy.

Rule 3. That no written speeches be received by the Contractor for the Reporting.

Rule 4. That Members shall be allowed to make any verbal corrections in the Report of their speeches as they first appear in sheet form, such corrections not to involve any variation of idea, or sentiment, or any lengthening of their remarks. These corrections being intended for the book form of the report, cannot be entertained unless made on the same day as the reports are delivered at the Post-Office.

Your Committee further recommend the following as the basis of distribution, both of sheets and bound volumes:—

DISTRIBUTION LIST—DAILY SHEETS.

Members House of Commons, five copies each.....	1030
Members Senate, one copy each.....	80
Privy Council.....	13
Press	400
Reporters.....	30
Reserve.....	47
Total	1600

BOUND VOLUMES.

Members House of Commons, two copies each	412
Members Senate, one copy each.....	80
Privy Council.....	6
Departmental.....	20
	518
Library and Reserve	82
Total.....	600

All which is respectfully submitted.

Geo. W. Ross,
Chairman.

Mr. Macdougall (Elgin), introduced a Bill (No. 23) to amend the Act for the more speedy trial in certain cases of persons charged with Felonies and Misdemeanors in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.—Second reading on Monday next.—

On motion of Mr. Dymond, an Address was voted to His Excellency, praying that he will be pleased to direct application to be made to the Lieut. Governors of the several Provinces composing the Dominion of Canada, for Returns of all commitments for trial, with the acquittal or convictions resulting therefrom, for capital offences committed since 1st July, 1867; and also that His Excellency will be pleased to take such measures as may secure to this House, which is charged with the duty of legislating in respect of criminal jurisprudence, full statistical information on all matters relating thereto.

Mr. Bunster moved, that it be *Resolved*, That owing to the almost immediate commencement of the works of construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway on the Island of Vancouver, and the prosecution of similar works on the Main land of British Columbia which will shortly follow, both of which will at once attract a large immigration into that Province for the purpose of settlement, it is very desirable, that the Dominion Government should at once take steps to have the Dominion Lands of the Province surveyed, and an office established there where intending settlers can obtain reliable information, and be enabled to purchase lands with the utmost facility.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

Mr. *Buister* moved, that the Wine refreshment part of this House be re-opened for the convenience of Members; which was negatived on a division.

On motion of Mr. *McIntyre*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a copy of the contract entered into between *James King*, Esq., of Halifax, N. S. and this Government, for the purpose of running a Steamer between Georgetown, P. E. I., and Pictou, N. S. during the winter season.

Mr. *Wallace* (Norfolk) moved, that the following letter and telegram were printed and circulated in the South Riding of Norfolk during the late Election in that constituency.

OTTAWA, Nov. 23, 1871.

MY DEAR SIR,—I am in receipt of your letter of enquiry respecting the duties and salary of Mr. *W. Wallace*.

Mr. *Wallace* was employed as paymaster on the Intercolonial Railway from January 1869 to January 1871, at \$1600 per annum.

From May 15, 1871, to July 31, 1872, he was employed as paymaster to the Canadian Pacific Railway Survey for the Eastern division.

In the latter capacity his duty was to purchase supplies as well as pay the salaries of the staff employed.

The professional accountant in whose hands we have recently been compelled to place the books and accounts, reports to me that at the time Mr. *Wm. Wallace* resigned he had received for disbursements the sum of \$388,871.62, and that the vouchers filed by him in the Department up to that date account for but \$142,675.26. After Mr. *Wallace* left there continued until June 30, 1873, to be charged and credited in the same books, in his own handwriting, the receipts and disbursements for this service.

To that period the books show that \$584,579 had been received and vouchers filed accounting for \$373,663; and that from June, 1873, to August of the same year there was further accounted for \$151,522, leaving at the latter date \$59,394 unaccounted for and in reduction of which no vouchers have since been filed.

With a view of arranging the accounts they were placed in the hands of Mr. *Thomas Steers*, Senr, in June, 1872, and in October of the same year his son was engaged to assist him, since these respective periods Mr. *Steers*, Sr., has been continuously, and Mr. *Steers*, Jr. partially occupied in the unsuccessful endeavor to strike a balance. The accountant is now engaged in the effort to write up the sum of \$59,394 still unaccounted for, but he represents to me, that he is beset with difficulty owing to their being, in the department no cash or other book—if such book exists—in which the original entries were made, and the only material at his command is a mass of loose papers including some vouchers which were in Mr. *Wallace's* office, when the accountant took charge of the accounts, a few days ago.

In regard to Mr. *Wallace's* salary, there does not seem to have been any Order in Council, or other official document, fixing it; but the Journal and Ledger kept by him alike show that it was intended to be \$1800 per annum. There was paid him, as per his Ledger, on account of salary, from June 30, 1871, to June 30, 1872, the sum of \$2,251; against which he is credited in his Ledger, with salary from May 15, 1871, to June 30, 1872 13½ month, at \$150 per month, \$2,025; and cash in October, 1871, January and June, 1872, \$564.14; total \$2,589.14, showing a balance due him, June 30, 1872, of \$338.14, on account of which he was paid in July, 1872, \$132.30; and October, 1872, \$300; total \$432.30. And is credited with payments in November, 1872, amounting to \$996.7; leaving a balance in his favor on account of salary to June 30, 1872 of \$2.81.

His Ledger shows that he subsequently received on same salary account, Dec. 30, 1872, \$550; Jan. 31, 1873, \$100; Feb. 28, 1873, \$100; total, \$750. And on a statement recently lodged by him in the Department, he acknowledges having received further payments as under, which do not appear in his Journal or Ledger: 1873—July, \$150; August, \$100; November, \$100; 1874—January, \$100; April, \$80; May, \$80; May, \$150; September, \$65.76; October, \$200; total, \$1,025.76. Showing an amount overdrawn by him for salary, and after he had left the service of \$1,775.76, less the balance in his favor 30th June, 1874, \$2.81; leaving him debtor for \$1,772.95.

That no doubt may remain of the intention to fix his salary at \$1,800 per annum, the following entries are taken from the Journal:

1871—June 30—For salary from 15th May to June 30th, 1½ months at \$1.50.....	\$225 00
“ July 31—Salary this month.....	150 00
“ August 31—Salary this month.....	150 00
“ September 30—Salary this month.....	150 00
“ December 31—Three months' salary from 1st Oct. to 31st Dec., at \$150.....	450 00
1872—March 31—Salary from 1st January to 31st March, 3 months, at \$150.....	450 00
“ June 30—Salaries account from 1st April to 30th June, 3 months, at \$150...	450 00

But in the statement sent in by him, within the past few days, occurs this entry, that portion of it following the date, “31st June, 1872,” being written in pencil:—

By salary from 15th May, 1871, till 31st June, 1872, 14½ months, at \$200.....\$2,900 00

Thus apparently an attempt to get an increase of pay beyond what his books show him to have been entitled to, endeavoring to make his earnings more nearly balance the money he had drawn. But even at \$2,400 instead of \$1,800 per annum there is a considerable balance against him. The overdrawn amount, as previously stated, was.....\$1,772.95

Claim for 13½ months, at \$50 extra per month.....\$675 00

Extra work (July 1872) claimed in statement.....200 00

875 00

\$897 95

Apparently against this and leading to what further demands their vagueness renders it impossible to say there are in the statement these most extraordinary entries:

"By services since time of resignation, 31st July, 1872.

September, 1872—October, had gone to Toronto, was taken ill and laid up—November, December, January, 1873—February, sick about half the time in Ottawa. June, November, from 6th. } During this time was a Member of Parliament and not legally entitled to payment.

March, 1874—From 24th—April, May, June, about two weeks. September, except from 1st till 8th, and from 22nd till 29th. October, November, 10 days."

The above information compiled from the statement furnished by the accountant is the most exact statement I can give in reply to your question.

Yours truly,

(Signed)

A. MACKENZIE,
JOHN STUART, Esq.,
Hamilton.

OTTAWA, 5th December 1874

None of these books or papers burnt. Demand made—Wallace yesterday telegraphed that cash books and cheques would be returned, but not to hand yet.

(Signed)

A. MACKENZIE.

That the said letter was addressed by the Hon. A. Mackenzie to John Stuart, Esq., of Hamilton, and with the said telegram related to the accounts, in connection with the Canadian Pacific Survey of William Wallace, now a Member of this House, that the letter and telegram aforesaid be referred to a Committee of five Members, with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to report thereon from time to time with all convenient speed—and that Messrs. Blake, Cameron (Cardwell), Moss, Ross (Prince Edward), and Bowell shall compose the said Committee.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

(The Order for Public Bills and Orders was called under Rule 19.)

The Order of the Day for the further consideration of Mr. Brouse's proposed motion for the appointment of a Committee on the subject of a system of Military Drill, and Mr. Cameron's (Ontario) proposed motion in amendment thereto, being read, both motion and amendment were, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

The Bill (No. 8) to prevent cruelty to animals while in transit by Railway or other means of conveyance within the Dominion of Canada, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

On motion of Sir John A. Macdonald, an Address was voted to His Excellency, praying that he will be pleased to cause a Return to be prepared and laid before the House showing, with respect to the allowances and gratuities granted under the Act 33 Vic., Cap. 4—since the beginning of the year 1874—the grounds of superannuation in each case, the age of each person superannuated, the names and ages of the persons appointed to succeed the person so superannuated, and the offices and salaries held by such successors respectively.

Also,—That the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery be ordered to lay before The House, without delay, a statement shewing:—

1st. The vacancies that have occurred in this House since the last General Election, the date when each vacancy took place, and when the same was notified to Mr. Speaker;

2nd. The date of the warrant of Mr. Speaker for a new Writ in each case;

3rd. The date of the issue of the Writ in each case;

4th. The date of the transmission of the Writ to the Returning Officer in each case.

And also that a similar statement respecting the vacancies occurring during two last Parliaments.

Also,—a further Address praying that he may be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a Return of all applications made by persons who served in the Militia Volunteer Force in Manitoba, and who have been invalided or discharged before the termination of their term of enlistment, for grants of land in that Province.

On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex), an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a return showing the number of Books registered under the Copyright Act of 1868, during the years 1870, 71, 72, 74, and the Return also to shew by whom the Books were printed and where, by whom the Books were published and where, and the names of the owners of Copyrights.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following resolutions were adopted:

CHARGES OF MANAGEMENT.

1.	Financial Inspector.....			22,600 00	
	Office of Assistant Receiver General, Toronto.....			7,500 00	
	do	do	Montreal.....	5,500 00	
	do	Auditor and	do	Halifax, N. S.....	10,000 00
	do	do	do	St. John, N. B.....	11,000 00
	do	do	do	Fort Garry.....	6,500 00
	do	do	do	Victoria, B. C.....	7,000 00
	do	do	do	Charlottetown, P. E. I.....	4,000 00
Country Savings Bank, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and British Columbia				12,000 00	
Seigniorial Tenure and Commission.....				2,500 00	
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					\$68,600 00

CIVIL GOVERNMENT

The Salaries of the Staff of the following Departments and Offices:—

3.	The Department of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada.....	14,380 00
4.	The Department of Justice.....	16,200 00
5.	do Militia and Defence.....	34,150 00
6.	do Secretary of State.....	28,930 00
7.	do The Minister of the Interior.....	39,390 00
8.	do Receiver General.....	29,890 00
9.	do Finance	47,000 00
10.	do Customs.....	26,350 00
11.	do Inland Revenue.....	23,840 00
12.	do Public Works.....	49,890 00
13.	Post Office Department.....	88,180 00
14.	Department of Agriculture.....	27,340 00
15.	do Marine and Fisheries.....	22,210 00
16.	Treasury Board Office.....	3,250 00
17.	Departmental Contingencies.....	175,000 00
18.	Stationary Office for Stationery	20,000 00
19.	Readjustment of Salaries (to be made as provided in amended Civil Service Act).....	70,000 00
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		707,000 00

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

20.	Miscellaneous	10,000 00	
21.	Circuit Allowances, British Columbia.....	15,000 00	
22.	do Manitoba	3,000 00	
		<hr/>	28,000 00

POLICE.

23. Police of the Dominion	25,000 00	
24. Mounted Police, Manitoba.....	185,000 00	
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PENITENTIARIES.

25.	Penitentiary, Kingston, Ontario.....	92,689 88
26.	Rockwood Asylum, Ontario.....	69,999 50
27.	Penitentiary, Halifax, N. S.....	27,599 80
28.	do St. John, N. B.....	40,389 50
29.	do St. Vincent de Paul, Q.....	53,956 35
30.	Maintenance of prisoners, Manitoba, British Columbia and Prince Edward Island.....	37,000 00
31.	Directors of Penitentiaries	10,500 00
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Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again to-morrow.

A Message was received from the Senate, informing this House that the Hon. Mr. *Wilmot* has been relieved from further attendance on the Joint Committee, of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, so far as the interests of that House are concerned, and that the Hon. Mr. *Fabre* has been appointed in his stead.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Little*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to cause an enrolment of the Reserve Militia to take place this year?

Mr. *Roscoe*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have taken any steps to carry out No. 9 of the terms of Union with British Columbia, which is “the influence of the Dominion Government will be used to secure the continual maintenance of the Naval Station at Esquimalt?”

Mr. *Gillies*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government during the present year to adopt steps by which a measure of relief may be granted to the settlers on Indian Lands, in the Saugeen Peninsula?

Mr. *MacKenzie* (Lambton)—On Monday next—That during the remainder of the Session Government Measures shall have precedence on Thursday, on the Orders of the Day.

Mr. *Farrow*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to have printed and bound an extra number of copies of the Hansard Reports, so that members desirous of receiving copies may have the privilege of purchasing them at a reasonable price?

Mr. *Costigan*—On Monday next—That an humble address be presented to Her Majesty representing that it is essential to the peace and prosperity of the Dominion of Canada that the several Religions therein prevailing should be followed in perfect harmony by those professing them in accord with each other; and that every law passed by this Parliament, or by the Local Legislatures disregarding the rights and usages tolerated by any one of such Religions, is of a nature to destroy that harmony. That the Local Legislature of New Brunswick in 1871, adopted a law respecting common schools, forbidding the imparting of any Religious education to pupils; and that that prohibition is opposed to the sentiments of the entire population of the Dominion in general, and to the religious convictions of the Roman Catholic population in particular; that the Roman Catholics of New Brunswick cannot conscientiously send their children to schools established under such law, and are nevertheless compelled, like the remainder of the population, to pay taxes to be devoted to the maintenance of such schools; that the said law is unjust, and contrary to the spirit of the Constitution, and causes much uneasiness among the Roman Catholic population disseminated throughout the whole Dominion of Canada, and that such a state of affairs, if continued, is likely to prove the cause of disastrous results to all the Confederated Provinces; and praying that Her Majesty will be pleased to cause an Act to be passed amending “The British North American Act,” by providing that the Roman Catholic inhabitants of New Brunswick, who are in a minority in that Province, shall have the same rights, privileges and advantages with respect to separate or dissential schools, and the same exemptions from taxation for the support of public or common schools as are now respectively enjoyed and possessed by the Roman Catholic minority of Ontario, and the Protestant minority of Quebec.

No. 10.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

2nd Session, 3rd Parliament, 38 Victoria, 1875.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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No. 11.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

One Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *W. J. Waddilove* and others, of the Municipal Council of the Town of Strathroy, and of *Thomas Gordon* and others, of Melbourne and vicinity, County of Middlesex; of *J. D. Beatty* and others, of Parry Sound and vicinity, District of Parry Sound; of *George Clark* and others, of Anson, of *Henry Andrews* and others, of the Township of Minden, and of *R. G. Haight* and others, of the Townships of Snowden and Lutterworth, County of Haliburton; of *Moses Crowder* and others, of the Township of Mountain, County of Dundas; of *John A. Heaslip* and others, of Lansdowne, County of Leeds; of *Matthew Gardener* and others, of the Township of Sydenham, County of Grey; of the Municipal Council of the Village of Almonte; of *J. Rutherford* and others, of Shakespeare, County of Perth; of the Council of the Municipality of the Town of Sherbrooke; of *James Camplin* and others, of the Township of Reach, of *John Hobbs* and others, of the Township of Reach; and of *Sylvenus Young* and others, of Port Perry, County of Ontario; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Municipality of the Township of Muskoka, and of *G. W. Rule* and others, of the District of Muskoka, Province of Ontario; severally praying that any measure brought before Parliament, having for its object the amalgamation of the Northern Extension Railways Company with the Northern Railway Company, may be granted.

Of the International Bridge Company; praying for the passing of an Act to make the Canadian Acts correspond with the enactments of the Legislature of the State of New York, and with the Acts of the Congress of the United States, with respect to the kind of Bridge to be erected, and also, with respect to the Bridge now erected, and that the same may be declared a lawful structure, and for other purposes.

Of the Canadian Navigation Company; praying for the passing of an Act to remove doubts as to the powers conferred upon the said Company, by the Act 31 Vic. Cap. 21, by declaring that the Directors with the consent of the Shareholders may dispose of the Stock of the Company for shares of the capital of any other incorporated Company.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex) from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the fourth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee having carefully examined the following documents, recommend that they be printed, viz.:—

Message transmitting correspondence on the subject of the non-fulfilment of the terms of Union with British Columbia.

Message transmitting correspondence on the subject of a Bill passed in the last Session of the Dominion Legislature, entitled “An Act to regulate the construction and maintenance of Marine Electric Telegraphs.”

Statement of all allowances and gratuities under the Act for the better insuring the efficiency of the Civil Service of Canada, by providing for the superannuation of persons employed therein in certain cases.

Statement of Expenditure charged to Unforeseen Expenses under Order in Council, from 1st July to date.

Return to Address,—Statement showing the names, age and place of residence of all Militiamen of 1812–13 who have transmitted to the Imperial Government their claims for a pension or indemnity.

The Committee recommend that the following documents be not printed, viz.:—

Return to Address,—Correspondence, &c., concerning the destruction by fire of the steamer “Bavarian” in November, 1873.

Return to Address,—Correspondence, &c., relative to the dismissal of Mr. *H. J. Chaloner*, of Quebec, as Shipping Master.

Return to Address,—Correspondence, &c., connected with the appointment of *Wm. J. Morden*, as Postmaster for the Village of Greenville, in the County of Wentworth, and the removal of said office to Bullock's Corners.

Return to Address,—Correspondence relative to the appointment of Commissioners of Pilots; also, in reference to the dismissal of Mr. *Hamilton*, as Collector of Customs at North Sydney.

Return to Address,—Statement of the Fortifications, &c., which were transferred to the Government of this country by the Imperial Government, &c.

Official Return of the distribution of the Statutes of the Dominion.

Return to Address,—Correspondence, &c., relative to the Military movements on the Niagara Frontier in the year 1866.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the second Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz.:—Of *Robert Lees*, and others, for incorporation of the Royal Mutual Life Assurance Co.,—Of the Provincial Insurance Co., of Canada, for amendments to their Act of incorporation,—Of the Consolidated European and North-American Railway Co.,—Of the Pictou Coal and Iron Company, for an Act of incorporation,—Of the *Intelligencer* Printing and Publishing Co., for an Act of incorporation,—Of the Great Western Railway Co., for the passing of an Act to confirm and declare valid certain Indentures made between the Niagara Falls International Bridge Co. and the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Co., and for other purposes,—and of the Great Western Railway Co., for certain amendments to their Acts of incorporation.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), the second and third Reports of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts were authorized to employ a short-hand Reporter, to take down such evidence, as they may find requisite.

Mr. *Baby* introduced a Bill (No. 24) to incorporate the Pictou Coal and Iron Company.—Second reading on Wednesday next.—

Mr. *Currier* introduced a Bill (No. 25) to incorporate the “Lower Ottawa Boom Company,”—Second reading on Monday next.—

Mr. *Bowell* introduced a Bill (No. 26) to incorporate the “*Intelligencer* Printing and Publishing Company.”—Second reading on Monday next.—

Mr. *Baby* introduced a Bill (No. 27) to incorporate “The Industrial Life Insurance Company.”—Second reading on Monday next.—

Mr. *Fréchette* introduced a Bill (No. 28) to incorporate *La Banque St. Jean Baptiste*.—Second reading on Tuesday next.—

Mr. *Fournier* introduced a Bill (No. 29) respecting Insolvency.—Second reading on Tuesday next.—

Mr. *Geoffrion* introduced a Bill (No. 30) to amend the Act 36 Vic., Cap. 48, relating to the Inspection of Gas.—Second reading on Tuesday next.—

The Bill (No. 2) to regulate the construction and maintenance of Marine Electric Telegraphs, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The Bill (No. 3) to repeal certain provisions of an Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 5) to prevent Enlistment in the service of any Foreign State, in certain cases not provided for by *The Foreign Enlistment Act, 1870*, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading on Tuesday next.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

LEGISLATION.

SENATE.

32. Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Senate..... 49,768 00

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

33. Salaries and Contingencies per Clerks' Estimate (including Canadian Hansard) 106,540 00
34. Salaries and Contingencies per Sergeant at Arms Estimate..... 35,860 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

35. Grant to Parliamentary Library 7,000 00
36. Printing, Binding and Distributing the Laws 12,500 00
37. Printing, Printing Paper and Bookbinding..... 50,000 00
38. Contingencies of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery..... 1,200 00
39. Miscellaneous Printing..... 2,000 00

264,868 00

ARTS, AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

40. Salaries and Contingent Expenses of Statistical Office, Halifax..... 4,100 00
41. Salary of 316 Deputy Registrars, Province of Nova Scotia, and allowance for getting Marriage Return 1,880 00
42. To meet expenses in connection with the care of Archives..... 4,000 00
43. To meet expenses in connection with the organization of the Patent Record..... 5,500 00
44. To meet the possible amount required in the Fiscal Year for the Census *i. e.*, the unexpended balance of the year 1874-75, which is to be carried forward, and which is estimated at 55,000 00
45. To meet the probable expenditure required in connection with the Philadelphia Exhibition..... 40,000 00

110,480 00

IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

46. { Salaries of Immigration Agents and Employes 24,450 00
do do Travelling Agents..... 12,000 00
Medical Inspection of the Port of Quebec..... 2,600 00
Quarantine, Grosse Isle..... 12,200 00
do St. John, N. B..... 3,400 00
do Miramichi, N. B.; Pictou, N. S..... 2,000 00
do Sydney and Yarmouth, N. S..... 2,000 00
do Halifax, N. S..... 5,260 00
do Charlottetown, P. E. I..... 1,000 00
To meet expenses of further precautionary measures for the Public Health..... 20,000 00
Contingencies of Canadian and other regular Agencies 24,000 00
Travelling expenses of Travelling Agents..... 14,000 00

122,910 00
47. { Menonite Loan..... 100,000 00
Transport of Menonites 70,000 00
Towards assisting Immigration and meeting Immigration expenses..... 190,000 00

360,000 00

PENSIONS.

48. { Samuel Waller, late Clerk, House of Assembly..... 400 00
L. Gagné, Messenger do 72 00
John Bright, do do 80 00
Mrs. Antrobus..... 800 00

NEW MILITIA PENSIONS.

	Mrs. Caroline McEachern and four children.....	265 00
	Jane Lakey	146 00
	Rhoda Smith.	110 00
	Janet Anderson.....	110 00
	Margaret McKenzie	80 00
	Mary Ann Ritchie and two children	336 00
	Mary Morrison.....	80 00
	Louise Prud'homme and two children.....	110 00
	Virginie Charron and four children.....	150 00
	Paul M. Robins.....	146 00
	Charles T. Bell.....	73 00
	Alex. Oliphant	109 50
	Charles Lugsden.....	91 25
	Thomas Charters.....	91 25
	Charles T. Robertson	110 00
	Percy G. Ronth	400 00
	Richard S. King.....	400 00
49.	George A. McKenzie	73 00
	Edward Hilder.....	146 00
	Fergus Scholtfield.....	73 00
	John Bradley	109 50
	Richard Penticost.....	91 25
	James Bryan.....	109 50
	Jacob Stubbs.....	73 00
	Mary Connor	110 00
	Mary Hodgins and three children.....	191 00
	John Martin.....	110 00
	A. W. Stevenson	110 00
	Mrs. J. Thorburn.....	150 00
	Mrs. P. T. Worthington and children	378 00
	Mrs. J. H. Elliott and children.....	130 00
	Ellen Kirkpatrick and three children	266 00
	Mrs. George Prentice and children.....	400 00
	Ensign Fahey	200 00
	Mary Hannah Temple and child	298 00
50.	To meet the probable amount required for Pensions to Veterans of War of 1812.....	50,000 00
51.	Compensation to Pensioners in lieu of land.....	8,000 00

65,178 25

MILITIA.

ORDINARY.

52.	Salaries of Militia Branch and District Staff.....	36,000 00
53.	Salaries of Brigade Majors.....	28,500 00
54.	Allowances for Drill Instruction.....	40,000 00
55.	Military College, including two Ordinary Schools under District Staff..	40,000 00
56.	Ammunition	40,000 00
57.	Clothing.....	75,000 00
58.	Military Stores	60,000 00
59.	Public Armouries and care of arms, including the pay of Storekeepers and Caretakers, Storemen, and the rents, fuel and light of public armouries	52,000 00
60.	Drill pay and all other incidental expenses connected with the Drill and Training of the Militia	375,000 00
61.	Contingencies and general service not otherwise provided for, including assistance to Rifle Associations and Bands of Efficient Corps.....	63,000 00
62.	Targets (Revote).....	5,000 00
63.	Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges	10,500 00

EXTRAORDINARY.

64.	Care and Maintenance of Properties transferred from the Ordnance and the Imperial Government	10,000 00
65.	For Improved Firearms (Snider Rifles and "Henry Martini" Rifles.....	40,000 00
66.	Ordnance and Equipment of Field Batteries of Artillery.....	20,000 00
67.	Pay, Maintenance and Equipment of "A" and "B" Batteries Garrison Artillery and Schools of Gunnery, Kingston and Quebec.....	110,000 00
68.	Pay and Maintenance of Dominion Force in Manitoba.....	125,000 00
		<hr/> 1,130,000 00

OCEAN AND RIVER SERVICE.

Dominion Steamers.

109. Maintenance and Repairs of Steamers <i>Napoleon III., Druid, Lady Head</i> and <i>Sir James Douglas</i>	101,450 00
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Mail Subsidies.

110. Moiety payable to Allan Line between Halifax and Cork.....	39,541 67
111. Steam Communication between Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.....	10,000 00
112. Steam Communication, Lake Superior	12,000 00
113. Steam Communication between Halifax and St. John <i>via</i> Yarmouth.....	10,000 00
114. Steam Communication on Lakes Huron and Superior	12,500 00
115. Steam Communication from St. John, New Brunswick, to Ports in Basin of Minas.....	4,000 00
116. Steam Service between San Francisco and Victoria, British Columbia....	54,000 00
117. Trinity House, Quebec	8,047 00
118. To provide for the examination of Masters and Mates.....	5,500 00
119. For purchase of Life Boats, Life Preservers and Rewards for Saving Life	4,000 00
120. To provide for investigation into Wrecks and Casualties, and Collection of information relating to disasters to shipping	2,500 00
121. Expenses in connection with Canadian Register and Classification of Shipping.....	6,000 00
122. To provide for Salary for Secretary of Pilotage Commissioners at the Port of St. John, N. B., \$800; to provide for Salary of Secretary of Pilotage Commissioners at Port of Halifax, N. S., \$800	1,600 00
123. Schooner Packet Service, Prince Edward Island, to and from small ports round the coast and to adjoining Provinces.....	1,000 00
124. Montreal Water Police.....	14,090 00
125. River Police, Quebec.....	28,200 00
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	314,428 67

LIGHTHOUSE AND COAST SERVICE.

126. Salaries and Allowance of Lighthouse Keepers.....	142,024 50
127. Maintenance and Repairs.....	270,643 00
128. Construction of New Lighthouses	120,000 00
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	532,667 50

FISHERIES.

Salaries and disbursements of Fishery Overseers and Wardens:—

129. { Ontario.....	9,000 00
{ Quebec	10,000 00
{ Nova Scotia, including Inspector and Clerk	13,200 00
{ New Brunswick do	10,200 00
{ Prince Edward Island and Manitoba.....	2,000 00
{ British Columbia.....	1,000 00
130. Maintenance and Repairs of vessel for protection of Fisheries	10,000 00
131. Fish breeding, Fishways and Oyster Beds.....	20,000 00
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	75,400 00

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY AND OBSERVATORIES.

OBSERVATORIES.

132. Observatory, Quebec	2,400 00
133. do Toronto.....	4,800 00
134. do Kingston	500 00
135. do Montreal.....	500 00
136. do New Brunswick	850 00
137. Grant for Meteorological Observatories, including instruments and cost of Telegraphing Weather Warnings.....	37,000 00
138. Additional for Geological Survey	5,000 00
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	51,050 00

MARINE HOSPITALS AND SICK AND DISTRESSED SEAMEN.

MARINE HOSPITALS.

139.	Marine and Emigrant Hospital, Quebec.....	23,000 00
140.	{ Montreal General Hospital..... 4,500 00	
	{ Other Ports in Quebec..... 2,000 00	
		6,500 00
141.	{ St. Catharines Hospital, Ontario..... 500 00	
	{ Kingston Hospital..... 500 00	
		1,000 00
142.	{ Halifax General Hospital..... 4,000 00	
	{ Other Ports in Nova Scotia..... 14,000 00	
		18,000 00
143.	{ Hospital of St. John..... 5,000 00	
	{ Other Ports in New Brunswick..... 8,000 00	
		13,000 00
144.	Ports in British Columbia.....	2,000 00
145.	Ports in Prince Edward Island.....	1,500 00

EXPENSE OF SHIPWRECKED AND DISABLED SEAMEN.

	{ Province of Quebec.....	1,000 00	
	{ do Nova Scotia.....	3,500 00	
146.	{ do New Brunswick.....	2,000 00	
	{ do British Columbia.....	500 00	
	{ do Prince Edward Island.....	500 00	
147.	To reimburse Board of Trade, London, for expenses incurred in connection with Shipwrecked and Distressed Seamen of the Dominion	6,000 00	
			78,500 00

STEAMBOAT INSPECTIONS.

SALARIES.

	{ Chairman.....	1,800 00	
	{ Deputy Chairman.....	1,400 00	
	{ Inspector Toronto District.....	1,200 00	
	{ do Three Rivers District.....	1,000 00	
	{ do Quebec District.....	1,000 00	
	{ do East Ontario District.....	1,000 00	
	{ do Montreal.....	1,200 00	
	Travelling expenses of Chairman and expenses in connection with Steamboat Inspection.....	1,100 00	
	Clerk to Inspection.....	300 00	
148.	Travelling and incidental expenses of Inspector of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and contingencies of office.....	865 00	
	Travelling expenses of Inspector of Toronto District and contingencies of office.....	600 00	
	Travelling expenses of Inspector—Three Rivers.....	200 00	
	{ do Quebec.....	250 00	
	{ do East Ontario.....	330 00	
	{ do Montreal.....	405 00	
	To provide for expenses, inspecting Prince Edward Island Steamers....	500 00	
	For purchase of Instruments and Test Gauges.....	550 00	
	To provide travelling expenses of Inspector, British Columbia.....	500 00	
			14,200 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, on Monday next.

Charles James Campbell, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Victoria, N.S.,—and *George Turner Orton, Esq.*, Member for the Electoral District of the Centre Riding of the County of Wellington, having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took their seats in The House.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Blake—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have had any communication with the Ontario Government on the subject of a Land grant in aid of so much of the Canada Pacific Railway as passes through Ontario; and if so, whether the Government will lay before the House the result of such communication?

Mr. Blake—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intend to bring down any further papers touching the commutation of *Lepine's* sentence in answer to the Address of this House on the subject?

Mr. Jones (South Leeds)—On Tuesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of Leases of Water Power made by the Department of Public Works between the Dominion Dam at the Whitefish and Kingston Mills on the Rideau Canal, both inclusive; Date of Lease or Leases; Time such Lease or Leases expire; Quantity of power rented and approximate power used during past year, under each Lease; with copy of Reports and papers, if any, submitted by the Superintendent Engineer of the Rideau Canal during the past twelve months to the Department of Public Works on this subject.

Mr. Burk—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of Baginier's Report, and all papers connected with the survey of Port Darlington Harbor.

Mr. De Cosmos—On Monday, March 8—ADDRESS to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, praying that in future the Governor Generals of Canada may be selected from the public men of Canada.

Mr. Dewdney—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it will be necessary to submit to Parliament the tenders for the section of railroad from Esquimalt to Nanaimo before letting the contract, should the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway be defined through the Province of British Columbia before the completion of the location survey between Esquimalt and Nanaimo and it be found that that portion will form part of the main line?

Mr. Goudge—On Tuesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for returns of the quantities, classes, and revenues from merchandize carried over the Intercolonial Railway in the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick for the months of

December, Eighteen hundred and seventy-three;
January, Eighteen hundred and seventy-four;
December, Eighteen hundred and seventy-four; and
January, Eighteen hundred and seventy-five.

Mr. Farrow—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Has the Government publicly advertised for Tenders for carriage of travellers and baggage over the Dawson route? If so, when did advertisements appear, and upon what terms does the Government propose to award the contract?

Mr. Dymond—When the House goes into Committee on Mr. Cameron's Bill No. 20, to amend the law respecting Criminal Procedure—That the following be added to the Bill as a section thereof:—

"Any person accused of felony or misdemeanor may, on his trial for the same, offer to be examined and give evidence on his own behalf in the case, and shall then be subject to examination and cross-examination as a witness for the defence, and his evidence shall be subject to the same incidents as that of any other witness, as respects credibility or otherwise howsoever; and any wilfully false statement therein shall be perjury, and punishable as such; but no such person shall be compellable so to offer to be examined, or shall be so examined without his consent."

Mr. Cameron (South Ontario)—On Monday next—ADDRESS to Her Majesty, praying that she will be graciously pleased to cause Her Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, to enter into negotiation with Foreign Powers with a view to further improvement in International Law, and the establishment of a general and permanent system of International Arbitration.

Mr. De Cosmos—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Have the Government made any special provision for the introduction of European or Canadian Immigrants into British Columbia during the construction of the Western Division of the Canada Pacific Railway, in order to provide a supply of labor other than Chinese.

Mr. Sinclair—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of Prince Edward's Island, relative to the building of the P. E. Island Railway, and the transfer of the same to the Dominion Government.

Mr. Yeo—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for the Report of the Engineer in charge of Harbors and Breakwaters in Prince Edward's Island.

No. 11.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

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No. 12.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 22ND FEBRUARY, 1875.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Lists of Stockholders of *La Banque du Peuple*, on the 15th instant,—of *La Banque de St. Jean*, on the 30th ult.,—of the *Ontario Bank*, on the 1st instant,—and of the *Union Bank of Lower Canada*, on the 31st December, 1874, under the provisions of the Act 34 Viet.; Cap 5., Sec: 12.

Twenty-five Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *George A. Laird* and others, of Patterson and vicinity, County of York, Province of Ontario; of *Mrs. J. Holliday* and others, of Myrtle and vicinity, County of Ontario; of the Reverend *P. de Villers* and others, of the Parish of Ste. Gertrude, County of Nicolet; of *A. C. Ellis* and others, of the Village of Scott's Bay, County of Kings, Province of Nova Scotia; of *William George Shaw* and others, of Wanstead and vicinity, County of Lambton; of the Reverend *J. K. McMorine* and others, of *John McDonald* and others, and of the Reverend *John Bennett* and others, all of the Village of Almonte, County of Lanark; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Quebec Board of Trade; praying that such steps may be taken as will cause the construction of a line of Telegraph between Mataane and Fox River, on the Gaspé coast.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *J. Dewar* and others, of the Townships of Bruce, Kincardine and Greenock, County of Bruce, praying for the construction of a Breakwater upon the small shoal lying outside Inverhuron Pier; and also for an extension of said Pier,—the Petition of *Alexander Yuill*, of the Township of Ramsay, praying that a Committee may be appointed to enquire into, and allow him compensation for certain losses alleged to have been sustained by him through a decision of the Provincial Arbitrators,—and the Petition of *John Fair*, of the Township of Durham, County of Missisquoi, setting forth that he was severely wounded during the Fenian invasion on the Missisquoi Frontier in the year 1866, and praying compensation for services rendered, be read and received.

The Speaker decided:—"That as the granting the prayer of these Petitions would involve the expenditure of public money, they cannot be received."

Mr. Smith (Westmoreland) laid before the House,—Statements of Receipts and Expenditure in connection with Sick and Distressed Seaman,—Harbor Police, Montreal and Quebec;—and the Decayed Pilot Fund, for the year ended, 30th June, 1874.

And also,—Statement of Expenditure for the construction of Lights; Fog-Whistles, etc., for the year ended, 30th June, 1874.

Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell) introduced a Bill (No. 32) to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the Provincial Insurance Company of Canada.—Second reading on Wednesday next.—

Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa County) introduced a Bill (No. 33) to confirm articles of Agreement and Consolidation between the European and North American Railway Company, for extension from St. John westward and the European and North American Railway Company of Maine, and for other purposes.—Second reading on Wednesday next.—

On motion of Mr. *Young*, a Message was ordered to be sent to the Senate, requesting their Honors will give leave to the Hon. Mr. *Bellerose*, one of their Members, to attend and give evidence before the Select Standing Committee of this House, on Public Accounts.

Mr. *Blake* introduced a Bill (No. 34) touching the true construction of the Act respecting inquiries concerning public matters.—Second reading on Wednesday next.—

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that he had received from the Hon. Mr. Justice *Gwynne*, one of the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to the *Controverted Elections Act*, 37 *Vict.*, Cap. 10, a Certificate and Report relating to the Election

For the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Wellington.

And the same was read as follows:—

NORTH WELLINGTON CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons, Ottawa.

Sir,—Pursuant to the provisions of the Statute of the Dominion of Canada 37 *Victoria*, Chapter 10, I have the honor to inform you that a Petition of *John Kennedy* against the Election and Return of *Nathaniel Higginbotham*, Esquire, as a Member of the House of Commons at the last Election held for the North Riding of the County of Wellington came on to be tried before me.

The Petition contained charges of corrupt practices having been committed by the Agents of the said *Nathaniel Higginbotham* at the said Election with the knowledge and consent of the said *Nathaniel Higginbotham*.

In his answer filed to the said Petition the said *Nathaniel Higginbotham* admitted that a person, who was his Agent within the meaning of that term as applied to the Election of Members of the House of Commons, was, before the said Election, guilty of corrupt practice without the knowledge and consent of him the said *Nathaniel Higginbotham*, whereby the Return of him the said *Nathaniel Higginbotham*, became void; and he the said *Nathaniel Higginbotham*, in and by his said answer, submitted to have the said Election avoided, and to pay all costs lawfully incurred by the Petitioner up to the period of filing his said answer in so far as that part of the Petition which prays that the said Election may be avoided on account of the corrupt acts of Agents is concerned.

One *James Troy* was called as a witness before me, who admitted that he had received a bribe from one *John C. McLagan*, an Agent of the said *Nathaniel Higginbotham* employed to promote his Election.

Whereupon, and it appearing that this is the case referred to in the answer of the said *Nathaniel Higginbotham* filed to the said petition, I did adjudge and find as follows:—

1. That the said *Nathaniel Higginbotham* was not duly returned or elected as a member for the House of Commons for the North Riding of the County of Wellington at the said election.

2. That the election of the said *Nathaniel Higginbotham* was and is void by reason of bribery committed by an Agent of the said *Nathaniel Higginbotham*, authorized to act on his behalf at the said election.

3. That no corrupt practices were proved before me to have been committed with the knowledge and consent of the said *Nathaniel Higginbotham*.

4. That *John C. McLagan* and *James Troy* have been proved to have been guilty of corrupt practice at the said election, such corrupt practice consisting in the said *John C. McLagan* giving, and in the said *James Troy* receiving, a bribe.

5. That the said case having proceeded in the manner appearing in my notes of the evidence, a copy of which I have the honor to transmit herewith, I am unable to report whether corrupt practices have or not, or whether there is or not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election, and

6. I adjudged and ordered the said *Nathaniel Higginbotham* to pay the said Petitioner his costs, except such costs, if any, as may have arisen out of the order for amendment made in the matter.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN W. GWYNNE,

Judge of C. P.

And the said Certificate and Report was ordered to be entered on the Journals of The House.

Mr. Speaker also informed The House, that in conformity with the Act 36 *Victoria*, Chapter 28, Section 24, he had issued his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new Writ for the said Electoral District.

Mr. Speaker further informed The House, that he had this day received another Certificate from the same Judge, intimating that a clerical error had occurred in his first Certificate, by giving the authority under which the case was tried as "37 *Victoria*, Chapter 10," whereas it should have been "36 *Victoria*, Chapter 28," under which last mentioned Act the case was tried, and his judgment given.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, viz:—

No. 15. To amend the Act incorporating the London and Canada Bank.

No. 16. To change the name of "The Imperial Building. Savings and Investment Company," to that of "The Imperial Loan and Investment Company."

On motion of Mr. *Young*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of any Despatch or Despatches, received from the Imperial Government on the subject of the Naturalization of Aliens, since the Despatch of the Earl of *Kimberley*, of date the 3rd September, 1873.

On motion of Mr. *Oliver* it was *Resolved*,—That an Order of this House do issue for a statement of the yearly expenses connected with the free delivery of letters and papers in the City of Montreal.

On motion of Mr. *Forbes*, an Address was voted to Excellency, for a Return of the number of Counties in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick in which Examiners of Fish Inspectors have been appointed; the number of Inspectors appointed in each County; also, the quantity of fish or fish-oil inspected, with description of package, and by whom inspected, and amount of fees collected.

Mr. *Thompson* (Cariboo) moved that an Address be voted to His Excellency, praying that His Excellency will take the necessary steps to have the Boundary Line between British Columbia and the North-West Territory (especially towards the North Eastern Boundary of the former) defined without delay, in view of the anticipated extensive immigration to the recently discovered gold mines on the Arctic Watershed.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. *Baby* moved, That notwithstanding the adoption during last Session, of the seventh Report of the Joint Committee of the House on the Printing of Parliament, reducing to two the copies of the Votes and Proceedings of the House of Commons now distributed to each Member of this House, said number of copies be increased to eight, the number distributed before the adoption of said Report.

And the said motion was in conformity with Rule 94, referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

On motion of Mr. *Tupper*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence between the Government or their officers, and the Spring Hill Mining Company, for all Orders in Council relating to the said Company, and any agreements that may have been made with the same.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, viz:—

No. 7. For the more effectual protection of Carriers by Land, and for the regulation of Traffic throughout the Dominion.

No. 17. To extend and amend the law requiring Railway Companies to furnish Returns of their Capital, Traffic and Working Expenditure.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) it was *Resolved*, That during the remainder of the Session, Government measures shall have precedence on Thursday, on the Orders of the Day.

Mr. *Macdonald* (Glengarry) moved, that the Bill (No. 11) to amend the Act for the regulation of the Postal Service, be now read the second time.

And a Debate arising thereon;—on motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) the said Debate was adjourned.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) laid before The House,—Exemplification of Judgment Roll of Outlawry in the case of *Regina vs Riel*.

The Bill (No. 12) to amend the Acts for the better preservation of the peace in the vicinity of Public Works, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported amendments agreed to, and the Bill ordered for a third reading on Thursday next.—

The Bill (No. 10) for the better protection of persons and property conveyed by Railways, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

INDIANS.

149.	For Indians, Quebec	2,200 00
150.	Purchase of blankets for aged and infirm Indians of Ontario and Quebec.....	1,600 00
151.	Indians, Nova Scotia.....	4,500 00
152.	Indians, New Brunswick.....	4,500 00
153. {	Payment of annuities under Treaty No. 1.....	16,870 00
	do do No. 2.....	4,405 00
	Agricultural implements and farming stock to be furnished Indians under Treaties 1 and 2	10,000 00
157.	Probable expense in connection with Treaties in the North-West.....	40,000 00
158.	Salaries and Office Expenses.....	16,750 00
159.	Probable expenses in connection with Indians in British Columbia.....	25,000 00
160.	Probable expenses in connection with Indians in Prince Edward Island,	2,000 00
161.	Miscellaneous expenditure	3,000 00

BOUNDARY SURVEY.

162.	To provide for surveys of Boundary between British Columbia and the United States.....	100,000 00
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MISCELLANEOUS.

163.	Canada "Gazette"	3,900 00
164.	Miscellaneous Printing.....	5,000 00
165.	Expenses connected with the noon gun at Ottawa	400 00
166.	Unforeseen Expenses: expenditure thereof to be under Order in Council and a detailed statement to be laid before Parliament during the first fifteen days of the next session.....	50,000 00
167.	Commutation in lieu of remission of duties on articles imported for the use of the Army and Navy.....	12,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Colby—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return giving the annual amount paid, at the time of the late Mr. *Dixon's* death, for salaries, permanent and temporary, at the Dominion Emigration Office, London, England, distinguishing the yearly, monthly and weekly amounts paid to such officers or persons, also the amount of all personal, travelling or other expenses, the contingent expenses of the office and amount paid for rent;

Also, the amount now paid for the same services and expenses, giving the names of all officers and persons now employed, nationality and previous residence, the designations and salaries of the same, distinguishing in the case of Mr. *Edward Jenkins* the salary paid him as Emigration Agent and as Agent General.

Mr. Bunster—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—When the Government intend to lay the printed papers before the House relating to any new arrangements made with the Government of British Columbia regarding the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway?

Mr. Blake—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all despatches or correspondence between His Excellency and the Secretary of State for the Colonies with reference to the resolution of the House of Commons of 15th May, 1873, on the subject of the proposed disallowance of certain local Acts of the New Brunswick Legislature.

Mr. Fournier—On Thursday next—BILL intituled "An Act further to amend an Act respecting the Administration of Justice, and for the establishment of a Police Force in the North-West Territories."

Mr. Orton—On Wednesday next—That a Special Committee be appointed on the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion, with power to send for persons, papers and records, and that all information obtained by any former Committees on the same subject be referred to aforesaid Special Committee.

Mr. Blake—On Wednesday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FORTHWITH to consider of the following Resolutions:—

That by the 56th clause of the British North America Act 1867, it is in effect enacted that when the Governor General assents to a Bill in the Queen's name, the Queen in Council may within two years after its receipt disallow such Act.

That by the 90th clause of the said Statute it is enacted that the above provision shall extend and apply to the Legislatures of the several Provinces as if re-enacted, with the substitution of the Lieutenant Governor for the Governor General, of the Governor General for the Queen, of one year for two years, and of the Province for Canada.

That in the opinion of this House the power of disallowance of Acts of a Local Legislature conferred by the said Statute is thereunder vested in the Governor General in Council, and that His Excellency's Ministers are responsible to Parliament for the action of the Governor General in exercising or obtaining from the exercise of the said power.

That by a letter dated 13th December, 1872 the Registrar of the Privy Council of the United Kingdom conveyed to the Colonial Office the opinion of the Lord President of the Council that the power of confirming or disallowing local Acts is under the said Statute vested in the Governor General acting under the advice of his constitutional advisers.

That notwithstanding the premises by a despatch dated 30th June, 1873, the Secretary for the Colonies in response to an application from the Governor General for instructions on the subject informed His Excellency that he was advised by the Law Officers of the Crown that the question of disallowance or allowance of Local Acts is a matter in which His Excellency must act on his own individual discretion, and in which he cannot be guided by the advice of his responsible Ministers.

That this House feels bound in assertion of the constitutional rights of the Canadian people to record its protest against and dissent from the said instruction, and to declare its determination to hold His Excellency's Ministers responsible for his action in the exercise of the power so conferred by the said Statute.

Mr. Farrow—On Wednesday next—SPECIAL COMMITTEE to enquire into the Salt interests of the Dominion, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Mr. Burpee (Sunbury)—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency, the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, a return of all decisions made since the 1st of January, 1875, by the Supreme Court of New Brunswick, with reference to the jurisdiction of the Local Government or Municipal authorities in that Province in granting or withholding licenses for the sale, or regulating the sale, of spirituous liquors.

Mr. Masson—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Colonization Society of Manitoba or other parties, relating to any grants of land or reservations of certain Townships, or parts of Townships, or any aid in favor of Canadians residing in the United States and who might be desirous of settling in Manitoba.

Mr. *Paterson*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government, during the present Session, to introduce a Bill amending the existing Laws in reference to Indians?

Mr. *Plumb*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a statement shewing the total amount expended and disbursed, or agreed to be paid by this Government, for the furtherance of the recent negotiations with the United States for a Treaty of Commercial Reciprocity.

Mr. *Bernier*—On Thursday next—Bill entitled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Trade Marks and Industrial Designs."

Mr. *Mackay* (Cape Breton)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to take any steps towards the construction of the Marine and Maritime Hospitals at Sydney, for which appropriations were made last year; and if so, when will the work commence?

Mr. *Mackay* (Cape Breton)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether anything is to be done towards completing the arrangements which the Government were authorized to make, and in part acted upon, respecting the Breakwater at the foot of Cow Bay?

Mr. *Mackay* (Cape Breton)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the appropriation made last year for the erection of a light-house on Guyon Island, will be expended on its construction?

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The two following Bills were posted this day, for consideration by the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, on or after Monday, the 1st March, next, viz:—

No. 15. To amend the Act incorporating the London and Canada Bank.

No. 16. To change the name of "The Imperial Building, Savings and Investment Company," to that of "The Imperial Loan and Investment Company."

No. 12.

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No. 13.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 23RD FEBRUARY, 1875.

Sixteen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) presented,—Return to Address of the 17th instant; for copies of correspondence which may have taken place, relating to Addresses of this House, presented last Session to the Governor General on the subject of the Act respecting Copyrights, which Act was reserved for the signature of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon; and

Return to Address of the 8th instant; for a copy of His Excellency the Governor General's Commission; and of the Royal Instructions which accompanied the same.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the third Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the notices given on the following Petitions and find them sufficient, viz.:—Of the International Bridge Co., for the passing of an Act to make the Canadian Acts correspond with the enactments of the Legislature of the State of New York, and with the Acts of the Congress of the United States, with respect to the said Bridge to be erected; and also with respect to the Bridge now erected, and that the same be declared a lawful structure; and for other purposes,—Of the Richelieu Navigation Co., to amend the several Acts relating to their incorporation; and also to change their name to that of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Co.,—Of the Upper Ottawa Improvement Co., for an Act to confirm their present Charter; and also for power to erect Booms on the River Ottawa between the City of Ottawa and a point towards *les Joachims*, in the Province of Quebec.

The time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills will expire on Thursday next; and the Committee recommend that the same be extended for two weeks, and the time for receiving Private Bills, and Reports thereon, for a like period.

Mr. *Fair* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report (*in part*) on the State of the Militia of the Dominion of Canada, for the year 1874.

On motion of Mr. *Rymal*, Rule 49 of the House was suspended, and the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills was extended for two weeks, and the time for receiving Private Bills and Reports thereon, for a like period.

Mr. *Irving* introduced a Bill (No. 37) respecting the International Bridge Company.—Second reading on Friday next.—

Mr. *Cartwright* introduced a Bill (No. 38) to amend the Act therein mentioned, respecting Banks and Banking.—Second reading tomorrow.—

Mr. *Jetté* introduced a Bill (No. 36) to incorporate The Royal Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada.—Second reading on Thursday next.—

Also,—a Bill (No. 39) to amend the several Acts incorporating, or relating to the Richelieu Company, and to change its corporate name.—Second reading on Thursday next.—

Mr. *Foranier* introduced a Bill (No. 31) to establish a Supreme Court, and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada.—Second reading on Friday next.—

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, *viz.*—

No. 4. To amend the "Dominion Militia and Defence Acts," on Thursday next;—and

No. 18. To amend the Acts respecting Controverted Elections, on Friday next.—

A Message was received from the Senate, giving leave to the Hon. Mr. *Bellerose*, to attend and give evidence before the Select Standing Committee of this House on Public Accounts, if he thinks fit.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

COLLECTION OF REVENUES.

Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the several Ports:—		
169.	In Province of Ontario.....	223,476 00
	do Quebec.....	209,231 00
	do New Brunswick.....	92,986 00
	do Nova Scotia.....	104,513 25
	do Manitoba and Northwest Territories.....	11,450 00
	do British Columbia.....	21,364 00
	do Prince Edward Island.....	22,500 00
Salaries and Travelling Expenses of Inspectors of Ports.....		11,000 00
Contingencies of Head Office covering Printing, Stationery, Advertising, Telegraphing, &c., for the several Ports of Entry.....		15,000 00
To cover Appointments, Promotions, &c.....		10,000 00
		<hr/> 721,520 25

EXCISE.

170.	Salaries of Officers and Inspectors of Excise.....	172,860 00
	Travelling Expenses, Rent, Fuel, Stationery, &c.....	45,000 00
	Preventive Service.....	4,000 00
	To provide for payment of additional Salary to special class of Excisemen.....	4,000 00
	To provide for additions to Outside Service.....	10,000 00
	To pay Collectors of Customs allowance on Duties collected by them...	1,700 00
		<hr/> 237,500 00

CULLING TIMBER.

QUEBEC OFFICE.

171.	1 Supervisor.....	2,000 00
	1 Deputy Supervisor and Bookkeeper.....	1,600 00
	1 Cashier.....	1,200 00
	2 Specification Clerks.....	1,300 00
	1 Messenger.....	400 00
	9 { Specification Clerks, <i>viz.</i> ,..... }	
	8 Months { 4 at \$600, 1 at \$500..... }	6,300 00
	2 at \$700, 2 at \$1,000..... }	
	Pay of Cullers.....	57,000 00
	Contingencies.....	5,000 00

MONTREAL AND SOREL OFFICES.

171.	2 Deputy Supervisors.....	800 00
	1 Bookkeeper.....	1,000 00
	Specification Clerks.....	
	Pay of Cullers.....	4,000 00
	Contingencies.....	300 00
		<hr/> 81,500 00

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, (EQUIPMENT.)

172. For Standards ordered in England, but not yet delivered.....	25,000 00
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WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, (INSPECTION OF)

173. Salaries of Inspectors of Weights and Measures (will be recouped by fees)	60,000 00
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INSPECTION OF STAPLES.

174. For the purchase and distribution of Standards of Flour, &c., and for other Expenditure under the Act.....	3,000 00
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ADULTERATION OF FOOD.

175. To meet Expenses under the Act 36 Vic., chap. 49, (will be mainly recouped by fees).....	10,000 00
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PUBLIC WORKS.

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS.

176. Salaries and Contingencies of Canal Officers.....	35,170 00
177. Collection of Slide and Boom Dues.....	17,375 00
178. Repairs and working expenses of above.....	482,200 00
180. Intercolonial Railway, Quebec.....	250,000 00
181. Railway, Prince Edward Island.....	200,000 00
182. Telegraph Lines, British Columbia.....	33,000 00
183. Agents and Contingencies, do	4,000 00

POST OFFICE.

184. {	For Ontario and Quebec.....	1,198,000 00
	New Brunswick.....	146,000 00
	Nova Scotia.....	187,500 00
	Manitoba.....	26,000 00
	British Columbia.....	80,000 00
	Prince Edward Island.....	52,000 00

DOMINION LANDS.

185. Surveys of Land, North-West (including Staff).....	230,000 00
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MINOR REVENUES.

186. Estimate of amount for which a vote is required	10,000 00
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Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. McDonald (Cape Breton)—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government has considered the advisability of building a Breakwater at the Port of Maine-a-dieu, N. S., according to Engineer's Report.

Mr. Masson—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Canadian Government and the Government of the Province of Quebec on the subject of Railway connections between the Eastern terminus of the Canada Pacific Railway and the Province of Quebec.

Mr. Tupper—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all specifications and contracts for any portion of a Canadian Pacific Railway Telegraph, with all correspondence relating thereto.

Mr. Mitchell—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government, during the present session, to introduce an amendment to "*An Act respecting Pilotage*" by which the authority and powers of the Trinity House, Quebec, to deal with offences under Section 71, and other clauses of said Act shall be more clearly defined.

Mr. Mitchell—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all correspondence with Boards of Trade or other parties, Minutes of Council, reports and papers, in relation to the effect of an Act entitled "*An Act respecting Pilotage*," having reference to the effect upon Trade and Navigation of the said Law, as affects collisions and the responsibility of pilots and owners of vessels in such cases.

Mr. Deelin—On Thursday next—BILL entitled "An Act to define the duties and responsibilities of carriers."

Mr. Gillmor—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government during the present year to have a competent engineer visit the island of Grand Manan, in the County of Charlotte, in New Brunswick, for the purpose of examining the Harbors on the Island, with a view to the erection of Breakwaters or such other erections as may be required for the safety and protection of life and shipping?

Mr. Brouse—On Thursday next—BILL for the prevention of accidents entailing loss of life in breweries and distilleries.

Mr. Vail—On Thursday next—That the House do then go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions:

1. That it is expedient to provide that the Officer to be appointed to command the Militia of the Dominion of Canada under Bill No. 4 "to amend the Dominion Militia and Defence Acts" shall be paid at the rate of Four Thousand Dollars per annum in full of all pay and allowances.

2. That it is expedient to provide that the Adjutant General of Militia at Headquarters, to be appointed under the said Bill, shall be paid at the rate of twenty-six Hundred Dollars per annum.

Mr. Macdougall (East Elgin)—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government this Session to introduce a Bill to amend Section 4 of Cap. 11, 33 Vict., so as to prevent the chartered Banks of Canada to issue notes for less sums than four dollars each?

Mr. Mitchell—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all papers and correspondence, advertisements for Tenders, if any, with terms of renewal or extension of subsidy to Quebec and Gulf Ports Company for service between St. Lawrence and Pictou, shewing for what special service that renewal of subsidy was given, also whether any other parties or companies intimated a desire to compete for the service.

Mr. Blake—In Committee of the whole on the Bill entitled "An Act to amend the Acts respecting Controverted Elections"—the following clause:

"In case on the trial of any Election Petition under either of the said Acts it is determined, that the Election is void by reason of an Act of an agent committed without the knowledge and consent of the

candidate, and that costs should be awarded to the Petitioner in the premises the agent may be condemned to pay such costs; and the Court or Judge shall order that such Agent be summoned to appear at a time fixed in such summons, in order to determine whether such Agent should be condemned to pay such costs.

If at the time so fixed the party summoned do not appear he shall be condemned on the evidence already adduced to pay the whole or a due proportion of the costs awarded to the Petitioner, and if he do appear the Court or Judge after hearing the parties and such evidence as shall be adduced shall give such judgment as to law and justice shall appertain.

The Petitioner shall have process to recover such costs against such party in like manner as he might have such process against the respondent; and no process shall issue against the respondent to recover such costs until after the return of process against such party."

No. 13.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 23RD FEBRUARY, 1876.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 24th FEBRUARY, 1875.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that the Clerk of The House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, a Certificate of the Election and Return of *John Lorn McDougall*, Esq., Member to represent the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Renfrew.

Eleven Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

John Lorn McDougall, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Renfrew, having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the The House.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of Puslinch, County of Wellington; of the Municipal Council of the Town of Peterborough; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Caradoc; of the Municipal Council of the Township of North Gwillimbury, County of York; of the Municipal Council of the Township of South Dorchester; of the Council of the Municipality of the County of Ottawa; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Proton, of the Municipal Council of the Township of Keppel, and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Sydenham, County of Grey; of *John Beattie* and others, of the Town of Seaforth, of the Municipal Council of the Township of McKillop, and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Hullett, County of Huron; of the Reverend *Thomas L. Ball* and others, of South Ireland, and of the Reverend *A. Pelletier* and others, of the Municipality of Ste. Sophie de Halifax, County of Megantic; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Colchester, County of Essex; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Nepean; and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Southwold, County of Elgin; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Erie and Niagara Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to amalgamate with the Canada Southern Railway Company.

Of the Canada Southern Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to amalgamate or consolidate its stock with the Erie and Niagara Railway Company, or with any other Railway Company, to form part of its railway system.

Of *William P. West* and others; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them as a Company, for the purpose of running a Steamer or Steamers to and from Ports in Nova Scotia, the Islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon, Newfoundland, and elsewhere.

Of the Board of Trade of the Town of Lévis; praying for certain Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *Edwin Russell* and others, of the Province of British Columbia; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them as a Company for the purpose of constructing a Railway from Red River, in the Province of Manitoba, to some point in the Province of British Columbia, on the Pacific Ocean.

Of the Western Assurance Company; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing them to increase their Capital Stock, and for further Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *Alexander Morris* and others of Manitoba; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Manitoba and North-West Permanent Building Society.

Of the Canada Car and Manufacturing Company; praying for certain Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Mr. *Cartwright* introduced a Bill (No. 40) to amend the Act regulating the Issue of Dominion Notes.—Second reading to-morrow.—

Mr. *Declin* introduced a Bill (No. 41) to amend the Act passed by the Parliament of the late Province of Canada, intituled: "An Act to incorporate 'The Montreal Board of Trade.'"—Second reading to-morrow.—

Mr. *Murray* introduced a Bill [No. 42] to incorporate the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company.—Second reading to-morrow.—

Mr. *Fournier* introduced a Bill [No. 35] respecting Penitentiaries and the Inspection thereof; and for other purposes.—Second reading on Friday next.—

Mr. *Moss* introduced a Bill [No. 43] to amend the Acts of incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.—Second reading on Friday next.—

Mr. *Ross* [Middlesex], from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the fifth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee having carefully examined the following documents, recommend that they be printed, viz.:—

Return to Address,—Copy of His Excellency's Commission and of the Royal Instructions which accompanied the same.

Exemplification of Judgment Roll of Outlawry in the case of Regina vs. Riel.

Return to Address,—Correspondence on the subject of the Act respecting Copyrights of 1872, which was reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon.—[*The manuscript portion only*].

Return to Address,—Copy of the Postal Convention recently made between the Postmaster General of the United States and the Postmaster General of Canada.—[*Sessional Papers only*].

The Committee also recommend that the following document be not printed, viz.:—

General Rules of the Election Court of New Brunswick.

With regard to the reference to the Committee, by the House of Commons, of that portion of the seventh Report of last Session, which recommended the reduction of the copies of the Votes and Proceedings to two copies to each Member, for the purpose of increasing the said number to eight, the Committee would respectfully state that they do not deem it expedient to interfere with the said seventh Report of last Session by recommending an increase in the distribution of printed documents.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), the Exemplification of Judgment Roll of Outlawry in the case of *Regina vs. Riel*, laid before The House on Monday last, the 22nd instant, was ordered to be read.

And the said Record was read by the Clerk at the Table, and is as follows:

CANADA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith.

To all to whom these presents shall come

GREETING:—

[L.S.]

KNOW YE, that amongst the Pleas of the Crown before ourself in our Court of Queen's Bench, at Winnipeg, in our Province of Manitoba, in our Dominion of Canada, in the thirty-eighth year of our Reign.

It is contained as follows:—

"In the Queen's Bench, between

OUR LADY THE QUEEN,

and

LOUIS RIEL,

Plaintiff,

Defendant.

Pleas before our Lady the Queen, at Winnipeg, in the Province of Manitoba, in our said Court of Queen's Bench

Amongst the Pleas of the Queen:

MANITOBA, } Be it remembered that on the fifteenth day of November, in the year of Our Lord
County of Selkirk, } one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, in the Court of our said Lady the
Queen, before the Queen herself at Winnipeg, in the County and Province aforesaid, upon the oath of
twelve jurors, good and lawful men of our said Province of Manitoba, then there sworn and charged to
enquire for our said Lady the Queen for the body of our said Province; it was presented as follows, that is
to say:—

CANADA, } The Jurors for our Lady the Queen upon their oaths present that *Louis Riel* on
Province of Manitoba, } the fourth day of March, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
seventy, at Upper Fort Garry, a place then known as being, lying and situate in the district of Assiniboia,
in the Red River Settlement, in Rupert's Land, and now known as lying, being and situate at Winnipeg, in
the County of Selkirk and Province of Manitoba, Dominion of Canada, feloniously, wilfully, and of his own
malice aforethought, did kill and murder, one *Thomas Scott* against the form of the statute in such case
made and provided, and against the peace of our Lady the Queen, her Crown and dignity. Wherefore, the
Sheriff of the said Province by our writ of *capias adrespondendum* bearing date the nineteenth day of No-
vember, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, was commanded by the
said writ of our said Lady the Queen, that he should not forbear by reason of any liberty in his bailiwick,
but that he should enter the same and take the said *Louis Riel*, of the Parish of St. Vital, in the County of
Provencher, in our said Province of Manitoba, gentlemen, if he should be found in his said bailiwick, and
him cause to be safely kept, so that he might have his body before our Justices of our said Court sitting in
term at Winnipeg aforesaid, in the County and Province aforesaid, for the trial of causes, criminal and civil,
and holding Assize of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery for the Province of Manitoba on the
tenth day of February, then next ensuing, to answer unto us concerning the said felony and murder whereof
he is indicted as aforesaid; on which said tenth day of February, which was in the year of Our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, the said Sheriff of the said Province returned the said writ
endorsed as follows, that is to say: That the said *Louis Riel* was not found in his said bailiwick whereby
he could be taken, as by the said writ he was commanded; and thereupon the said Sheriff by another writ
of our said Lady the Queen, called an *alias* writ of *capias adrespondendum* bearing date the tenth day of
February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, was commanded as before
he had been commanded, that he should not omit by reason of any liberty in his bailiwick, but that he
should enter the same, and should take the said *Louis Riel*, of the said Parish of Saint Vital, in the County
of Provencher, in our said Province, gentlemen, if he should be found in his said bailiwick, and
him cause to be safely kept, so that he might have his body before our Justices as aforesaid, sitting in
term at Winnipeg aforesaid in our said Province for the trial of causes, civil as well as criminal, and
holding Assize of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery for our said Province on the tenth day of
June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, to answer unto us concerning
a certain felony and murder whereof he is indicted as aforesaid; on which said tenth day of June in the
year of Our Lord last aforesaid, the said Sheriff returned the said last mentioned writ endorsed as follows,
that is to say: That the said *Louis Riel* was not found within his said bailiwick whereby he could be taken as
by the said writ he was commanded. And thereupon the said Sheriff by another writ of our said Lady the
Queen, called a *Pluris Writ of Capias adrespondendum*, was commanded, as often before he had been com-
manded, that he should not omit by reason of any liberty in his bailiwick, but that he should enter the
same and should take the said *Louis Riel*, of the Parish of Saint Vital, in the County of Provencher, in our
said Province, if he should be found therein, and him cause safely to be kept, so that he might have his
body before the Justices of our said Court, at Winnipeg, aforesaid, in and for our said Province sitting in
term for the trial of causes, civil as well as criminal, and holding Assize of Oyer and Terminer and General
Gaol Delivery for our said Province, on the tenth day of October in the year of Our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and seventy-four, to answer unto us concerning a certain felony and murder of which he is
indicted; on which said tenth day of October in the year last aforesaid, the said Sheriff returned the said last
mentioned writ endorsed as follows, that is to say: That the said *Louis Riel* was not found within his said
bailiwick whereby he could be taken, as by the said writ he was commanded; whereupon, by the writ of
our said Lady the Queen called a writ of *Exigent*, bearing date the tenth day of October in the year of Our
Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, the said Sheriff of our said Province of Manitoba was
commanded that he cause to be exacted the said *Louis Riel*, of the said Parish of Saint Vital, in the County
and Province aforesaid, from County Court to County Court for four successive County Courts in the said
Province, and then at the succeeding Court of Queen's Bench, to be holden at Winnipeg, in our said
Province, sitting as a Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery and of Assize and *Nisi Prius*.
The last exaction being the *Quinto Exactus* until he should be outlawed according to the law and custom of
England, if he should not appear; and if he should appear, then the said Sheriff was commanded to take
him and him safely keep, so that he might have his body before us in our said Court at Winnipeg,
aforesaid, in our said Province, on the tenth day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight
hundred and seventy-five, sitting as a Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery and of
Assize and *Nisi Prius*, to answer to us for a certain felony and murder of which he is indicted, and in
respect whereof the said Sheriff hath, on divers times before, returned unto our said Lady the Queen that
the said *Louis Riel* was not found in his said bailiwick: and, thereupon, at the same time to wit, on the
tenth day of October, in the year last aforesaid, by the Writ of Proclamation of our said Lady the Queen, in
which said Writ it is recited, 'That our said Lady the Queen by her Writ of Exigent, having the same day
' of teste and return as that of her said Writ of Proclamation, had commanded the said Sheriff that he
' should cause to be exacted the said *Louis Riel* from County Court to County Court for four successive
' County Courts, and then at the succeeding Courts of Queen's Bench, sitting as a Court of Oyer and
' Terminer and General Gaol Delivery and of Assize and *Nisi Prius*—the last exaction being the *Quinto*

Exactus—until he should be outlawed according to the law and custom of England, if he should not appear; and if he should appear, that then he should take him and him safely keep, so that he might have his body before our Lady the Queen at Winnipeg, aforesaid, in the Province aforesaid, on the tenth day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five to answer unto us for a certain felony and murder, whereof he is indicted as aforesaid.' The said sheriff in and by the said last mentioned writ was commanded that, by virtue of the statute in that case made and provided, he should cause three Proclamations to be made according to the form and statute in that case made and provided in the form following, that is to say: One of the same Proclamations in the open County Court, to be begun and holden in the County of Selkirk, in the Province aforesaid, on the fourth day of January, in the year last aforesaid. And another of the same Proclamations to be made at the succeeding sitting of the County Court to be begun and holden in and for the County of Lisgar, in the Province aforesaid, on the seventh day of January, in the year last aforesaid, and one other of the same Proclamations to be made one month at least before the *Quinto Exactus* by virtue of the said writ of *Exigent* at or near the most usual door of the Roman Catholic Church, in the Parish of St. Norbert, in the County of Provencher, aforesaid, upon a Sunday, immediately after Divine service and sermon, if any there be, and if no sermon there be then forthwith after Divine service, that he, the said *Louis Riel*, should surrender himself into the custody of him, our said Sheriff, of Manitoba, before or at the time when he should be the fifth time exacted, so that he, the said Sheriff, might have his body before our said Court on the aforesaid tenth day of February, in the year last aforesaid, at Winnipeg, aforesaid, to answer to us for the felony and murder aforesaid, whereof the said *Louis Riel* is indicted as aforesaid; on which said tenth day of February, in the year last aforesaid, before our said Lady the Queen, at Winnipeg, aforesaid, the said Sheriff returned the said writ of Proclamation executed and endorsed as followeth, that is to say: At the County Court holden in and for the County of Selkirk, in the said Province, on the fourth day of January in the year last aforesaid, at the County site of the said County, in open County Court, he did make the first Public Proclamation; And at the succeeding County Court holden in and for the County of Lisgar, in the Province aforesaid on the seventh day of January in the year last aforesaid at the County site of the said County, in open County Court, he did make the second Public Proclamation; And on the fourth day of January in the year last aforesaid, at and near the most usual door of the Roman Catholic Church, in the Parish of Saint Norbert in the County of Provencher aforesaid, upon a Sunday immediately after divine service and sermon, he did make another Public Proclamation, that the said *Louis Riel* should render himself to answer to our said Lady the Queen according to the exigency of the said writ, as he the said Sheriff was commanded; And on the same tenth day of February, in the year last aforesaid, the said Sheriff of the said Province of Manitoba returned unto us in our said Court at Winnipeg aforesaid, that by virtue of our said Writ of *Exigent*—he did at the County Court holden at Winnipeg in and for the County of Selkirk, in the Province of Manitoba, on the fourth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five in open County Court demand the said *Louis Riel* a first time and that he did not appear; And at the County Court holden at the County site in and for the County of Lisgar in the Province aforesaid, on the seventh day of January, in the year last aforesaid, he did in open County Court demand the said *Louis Riel* a second time and that he did not appear; And at the County Court holden in and for the County of Provencher, in the Province aforesaid, on the eleventh day of January in the year last aforesaid, at the County site in the said County in open County Court he did demand the said *Louis Riel* a third time and that he did not appear; And at the County Court holden at the County site in and for the County of Marquette East, in the Province aforesaid, on the thirteenth day of January in the year last aforesaid in open County Court he did demand the said *Louis Riel* a fourth time, and that he did not appear; And at the Court of Queen's Bench sitting as a Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery and of Assize and Nisi Prius, holden at Winnipeg aforesaid in our said Province and in and for our said Province, on the tenth day of February, in the year last aforesaid in open Court he did demand the said *Louis Riel* a fifth time, and that he did not appear as by the said writ he was commanded. Therefore, by the Judgment of *Curtis James Bird*, Esquire, Coroner for our said Lady the Queen, in and for the said Province of Manitoba, and the said *Louis Riel*, according to the law and custom of England, is outlawed." All and singular which said premises, by the tenor of these presents, we command to be exemplified.

In testimony whereof we have caused these presents to be signed by *Daniel Carey*, Esquire, the Clerk of the Crown and Pleas of our said Court, and the seal of our said Court to be hereto affixed.

Witness, the Honorable *Edmund Burke Wood*, Chief Justice of our said Court at Winnipeg, in our said Province, this the tenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, and of our reign the thirty-eighth.

Filed in open Court, this tenth day of February, A. D. 1875.

DANIEL CAREY,

Prothonotary and Clerk of the Crown and Pleas.

Mr. *MacKenzie* (Lambton) moved,—That it appears by the said Record that *Louis Riel*, a Member of this House, has been adjudged an Outlaw for felony.

Mr. *Phelps* moved in amendment thereto, to leave out all after the word "That" in the said motion, and to insert the following instead thereof:—"It appears on the face of the Record of the proceedings, brought before this House, that no legal nor valid judgment of outlawry has been rendered against the said *Louis Riel*, Member for Provencher, but that it appears also from the said Record, that the said *Louis Riel*, having been indicted for Murder, has not been arrested, nor appeared, nor pleaded to the said indictment, nor surrendered to take his trial thereon, but has been and continues to be voluntarily absent, and a fugitive from Justice from the Province of Manitoba.—Be it therefore Resolved, That the said *Louis Riel*

“shall be, and he is hereby expelled from this House;” which was negatived on the following division:—
Yeas, 24; nays, 146.

YEAS :

Messieurs

Bowell,
Cameron, (*Cardwell*)
Colby,
Domville,
Ferguson,
Fletcher,

Jones, (*Leeds*)
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Macdonald (*Kingston*).
Macmillan,
McCallum,

McQuade,
Mitchell,
Monteith,
Orton,
Platt,
Plumb,

Rochester,
Stephenson,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Tupper,
Wallace (*Norfolk*),
White.—24

NAYS :

Messieurs

Appleby,
Archibald,
Baby,
Béchar,.
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blain,
Blake,
Borden,
Borron,
Bourassa,
Bowman,
Boyer,
Brouse,
Brown,
Bunster,
Burk,
Burpee, (*St. John*)
Burpee, (*Sunbury*)
Cameron, (*Ontario*)
Campbell,
Carmichael,
Caron,
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Cauchon,
Charlton,
Cheval,
Church,
Cimon,
Cockburn,
Coffin,
Costigan,
Coupal,
Cunningham,

Cushing,
Dawson,
De Cosmos,
Delorme,
Desjardins,
De St. Georges,
De Veber,
Devlin,
Dewdney,
Dymond,
Ferris,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Fournier,
Fréchette,
Galbraith,
Gaudet,
Geoffrion,
Gibson,
Gill,
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Gordon,
Hagar,
Hall,
Harwood,
Holton,
Horton,
Hurteau,
Irving,
Jetté,
Jones, (*Halifax*)
Kerr,
Killam,
Kirk,

Laflamme,
Laird,
Lajoie,
Landerkin,
Langlois,
Lanthier,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
Macdonald (*Glengarry*),
Macdonell (*Inverness*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
Mackay (*Cape Breton*),
Mackenzie (*Lambton*),
Mackenzie (*Montreal*),
MacLennan,
Masson,
McCraney,
McDonald (*Cape Breton*)
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
McGregor,
McIntyre,
McIsaac,
McKay (*Colechester*),
Metcalf,
Mills,
Moffat,
Montplaisir,
Moss,
Mousseau,
Murray,
Norris,
Oliver,
Ouimet,
Paterson,
Pelletier,
Perry,
Pettes,

Pickard,
Pinsonneault,
Pouliot,
Power,
Pozer,
Ray,
Richard,
Robillard,
Robitaille,
Ross (*Durham*),
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ross (*Prince Edward*),
Rouleau,
Ryan,
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Schultz,
Scriver,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Smith (*Peel*),
Snider,
Stirton,
St. Jean,
Taschereau,
Thibaudeau,
Thompson (*Haldimand*),
Thomson (*Welland*).
Tremblay,
Trow,
Vail,
Wallace (*Albert*),
Wilkes,
Wood,
Yeo,
Young.—146.

And the question being put on Mr. *Mackenzie's* (Lambton) original motion; it was agreed to on the following division:—

Yeas, 138; nays, 31.

YEAS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	De Cosmos,	Langlois,	Power,
Archibald,	Delorme,	Little,	Pozer,
Béchar, d,	De St. Georges,	Macdonald [<i>Cornwall</i>],	Ray,
Bernier,	De Veber,	Macdonald (<i>Glengarry</i>),	Richard,
Bertram,	Devlin,	Macdonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Robillard,
Biggar,	Dewdney,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Rochester,
Blain,	Dymond,	MacKay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ross [<i>Durham</i>],
Blake,	Ferguson,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Ross [<i>Middlesex</i>],
Borden,	Ferris,	Mackenzie (<i>Montreal</i>),	Ross [<i>Prince Edward</i>],
Borron,	Fiset,	Maclemnan	Ryan,
Bourassa,	Fleming,	Macmillan	Rymal,
Bowell,	Flynn,	McCallum	Seateherd,
Bowman,	Forbes,	McCraney	Schultz
Boyer,	Fournier,	McDougall [<i>Renfrew</i>],	Seriver,
Brouse,	Fréchette,	McGregor,	Sinclair,
Brown,	Galbraith,	McIntyre,	Skinner,
Burk,	Geoffrion,	McIsaac,	Smith [<i>Peel</i>],
Burpee, (<i>St. John</i>)	Gibson,	McKay [<i>Colchester</i>],	Snider,
Burpee, (<i>Sunbury</i>)	Gillies,	McQuade,	Stirton,
Cameron, (<i>Ontario</i>)	Gillmor,	Metcalfe,	St. Jean,
Campbell,	Gordon,	Mills,	Taschereau
Carmichael,	Hagar,	Moffatt,	Thibaudeau,
Cartwright,	Hall,	Monteith,	Thompson [<i>Cariboo</i>],
Casey,	Holton,	Moss,	Thompson [<i>Haldimand</i>],
Casgrain,	Horton,	Murray,	Thomson [<i>Welland</i>],
Cauchon,	Irving,	Norris,	Tremblay,
Charlton,	Jetté,	Oliver,	Trow,
Cheval,	Jones, (<i>Halifax</i>)	Orton,	Vail,
Church,	Kerr,	Paterson,	Wallace [<i>Albert</i>],
Cockburn,	Killam,	Pelletier,	White,
Coffin,	Kirk,	Perry,	Wilkes,
Costigan,	Laflamme,	Pettes,	Wood,
Cunningham,	Laird,	Pickard,	Yeo,
Cushing,	Lajoie,	Pouliot,	Young.—138.
Dawson,	Landerkin,		

NAYS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Domville,	Lanthier,	Pinsonneault,
Bunster,	Flesher,	Macdonald [<i>Kingston</i>],	Platt,
Cameron, (<i>Cardwell</i>)	Gaudet,	Masson	Robitaille,
Caron,	Gill,	McDonald [<i>Cape Breton</i>],	Rouleau,
Climon,	Harwood,	Mitchell	Stephenson,
Colby,	Hurteau,	Montplaisir,	Tupper,
Coupal,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Mousseau,	Wallace [<i>Norfolk</i>].—31.
Desjardins,	Kirkpatrick,	Oumet,	

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) moved, that Mr Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new Writ for the Electoral District of Proveucher, in the room of *Louis Riel*, adjudged an Ontlaw; which was agreed to on the following division:—

Yeas, 141; nays, 16.

YEAS :

Messieurs

Appleby,
Archibald,
Béchar, d,
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blain,
Blake,
Borden,
Borron,
Bourassa,
Bowell,
Bowman,
Boyer,
Brouse,
Bunster,
Burpee (*St. John*),
Burpee (*Sunbury*),
Cameron (*Cardwell*),
Cameron (*Ontario*),
Campbell,
Carmichael,
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Cauchon,
Charlton,
Cheval,
Church,
Cockburn,
Coffin,
Costigan,
Coupal,
Cunningham,
Cushing,
Dawson,

Delorme,
De St. Georges,
De Veber,
Devlin,
Dewdney,
Domville,
Dymond,
Ferguson,
Ferris,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Flesher,
Forbes,
Fournier,
Fréchette,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibson,
Gillies,
Gordon,
Hagar,
Hall,
Holton,
Horton,
Irving,
Jetté,
Jones (*Halifax*),
Jones (*Leeds*),
Kerr,
Killam,
Kirk,
Kirkpatrick,
Laflamme,
Laird,
Lajoie,

Landerkin,
Langlois,
Little,
Macdonald (*Cornwall*),
Macdonald (*Glenarry*),
Macdonald (*Kingston*),
Macdougall (*Elgin*),
MacKay (*Cape Breton*),
Mackenzie (*Lambton*),
Mackenzie (*Montreal*),
MacLennan,
Macmillan,
McCallum,
McCraney,
McDougall (*Renfrew*),
McGregor,
McIntyre,
McKay (*Colchester*),
McQuade,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Mitchell,
Moffat,
Monteith,
Moss,
Murray,
Norris,
Oliver,
Paterson,
Pelletier,
Perry,
Pettes,
Pickard,
Platt,
Pouliot,

Pozer,
Ray,
Richard,
Robillard,
Rochester,
Ross (*Middlesex*),
Ross (*Prince-Edward*),
Ryan,
Rymal,
Scatcherd,
Schultz,
Scriver,
Sinclair,
Skinner,
Smith (*Peel*),
Snider,
Stephenson,
Stirton,
St. Jean,
Taschereau,
Thibaudeau,
Thompson (*Cariboo*),
Thompson [*Haldimand*],
Thomson [*Welland*],
Tremblay,
Trow,
Tupper,
Vail,
Wallace [*Albert*],
Wallace [*Norfolk*],
White,
Wilkes,
Wood,
Yeo,
Young.—141.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Baby,
Caron,
Cimon,
Desjardins,

Gaudet,
Gill,
Harwood,
Hurteau,

Lanthier,
Masson,
Montplaisir,
Mousseau,

Quimet,
Pinsonneault,
Robitaille,
Rouleau.—16.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. White—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to cancel all appointments of Official Assignees when the new Act comes into force or whether they will allow them to remain and only deal with new appointments as in cases of death or other causes?

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Postmaster General and the Post Office Inspector for the Province of Nova Scotia in reference to the dismissal of Mr. *Malcolm MacDougal* as Postmaster at Christmas Island, Cape Breton Co., and all correspondence between the Postmaster General and other persons touching the the said dismissal.

Mr. *Robitaille*—On Friday next—That the Report presented to this Honorable House, towards the close of the last Session, by the committee appointed to enquire into the best and most direct route between Canada and Europe, be referred to the Committee on Printing, together with the answers received since the presentation of the Report.

Mr. *Pelletier*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to modify or abolish the postal charge on newspapers and agricultural publications printed and published in the Dominion of Canada?

Mr. *Landerkin*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government of Canada has had any correspondence with the Province of Newfoundland on the subject of the Union of that Province with the Dominion?

Mr. *Rochester*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to build a Bridge over the Rideau River at or near the Village of Wellington, in the Township of North Gower, in the County of Carleton?

Mr. *Carterright*—On Friday next—BILL intituled "An Act to amend Chap 6 of 35 *Vict.*, entitled An Act respecting the Public Debt," etc.

Mr. *Young*—On Friday next—That the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following resolutions:

That this House was pleased to learn from the despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, of date the 3rd September, 1873, that Her Majesty received very graciously the Address of this House passed in the same year on the subject of the Naturalization of Aliens, and begs respectfully to represent as follows:—

1st. That the extension of the Act passed in the 33rd year of Her Majesty's reign entitled "The Naturalization Act of 1870," would not meet the just expectations of the Germans and other naturalized foreigners in Canada inasmuch as the passports granted under the said Act, although permanent, are expressly declared to be invalid in the Foreign State of which the persons naturalized were formerly subjects—the place of all others in which they desire to be protected in their acquired rights and privileges.

2nd. That by the Naturalization Act of 1870 aforesaid, it is provided that Great Britain will thereafter recognize and protect in any part of the world all persons legally naturalized as British subjects, provided they cease by the laws of their native State to be subjects thereof on changing their allegiance, or when a Treaty has been made between Great Britain and the said State to that effect.

3rd. That such a Treaty was negotiated between Great Britain and the United States of America in the year of Our Lord 1871, and a further and supplemental Treaty in the following year 1872, both of which are working satisfactorily.

4th. That a Treaty similar in character was negotiated between the United States of America and Germany, in the year of Our Lord 1868, and is now in operation.

5th. That it would promote the public interests and afford much satisfaction to Her Majesty's naturalized German subjects in Canada, if a Treaty under the provisions of the Naturalization Act of 1870, aforesaid, were entered into between Great Britain and the German States, so that such persons naturalized in Canada, after a residence therein of from three to five years (as may be agreed upon by the contracting Powers) may become entitled to all the rights, privileges and immunities of British subjects in any part of the world and in as full a measure as if they had been subjects of Great Britain by birth.

6th. That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty setting forth the foregoing resolutions.

No. 14.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 24th FEBRUARY, 1876.

2nd Session, 3rd Parliament, 38 Victoria, 1875.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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No. 15.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 25TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that the Clerk of The House had received, in obedience to the Order of The House of the 22nd instant,—a Return for a statement of the expenses connected with the free delivery of letters and papers in the City of Montreal.

Twenty Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of Cramahe, and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Brighton, County of Northumberland; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Granby, County of Shefford; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Orford, County of Kent; of the Reverend *L. H. Dostie* and others, of the Parish of Gentilly, County of Nicolet; of the Municipal Council of the Townships of Moulton and Sherbrooke; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Russell, and of *William Wilson* and others, of the Township of Cumberland, County of Russell; of the Municipal Council of the Village of New Edinburgh; and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Moore; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Niagara Falls International Bridge Company, and the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm and declare valid certain indentures made between the said Companies and the Great Western Railway Company, and for other purposes.

Of *Alexander Yuill*, of the Township of Ramsay, County of Lanark; praying that a Committee may be appointed to enquire into certain losses alleged to have been sustained by him through a decision of the Provincial Arbitrators.

Of *T. James Claxton* and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the European and American Express and Agency Company.

Of the Honorable *Alexander Campbell*, of the City of Toronto, and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Canadian Steam-users' Association.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *James B. Neff*, M. D., of Port Colborne, and others,—and the Petition of *William Dunn*, Mayor, and others, of the Town of Prescott; severally praying, that the depth of water in the enlarged Welland Canal may be increased, so that the largest class of vessels employed on the Upper Lakes, may pass freely downward to Lake Ontario, be now read and received.

Mr. Speaker decided:—"That as the granting the prayer of these Petitions would involve the expenditure of public money, they cannot be received."

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) presented,—Return to Address of the 17th instant; for copy of the Report of *L. G. Bell, C. E.*, on the exploration made of the route of the Huron and Ottawa Railway from Ottawa City to Parry Sound; together with all maps or papers accompanying the same.

Mr. *Fournier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the first Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have considered Bill (No. 2,) to regulate the construction and maintenance of Marine Electric Telegraphs, and appointed a Sub-Committee to consider whether there be any color of right capable of assertion in the Courts by the Anglo-American Company, which is interfered with by clauses 14 and 15 of the said Bill, which Report is as follows:—

“The Sub-Committee appointed to consider whether there be any color of right capable of assertion in the Courts by the Anglo-American Company which is interfered with by clauses 14 and 15 of this Bill, beg leave to report as follows:—

The Sub-Committee have heard Lord *William Hay*, and considered the Acts of the Nova Scotia Legislature, and the agreement between the two Companies and the facts stated by Lord *William Hay*.

The claims of right set up as capable of assertion in a Court, are as follows:—

1. That the Nova Scotia Company having power to authorize, has authorized the Newfoundland Company to land and maintain its Cables on the shore of Nova Scotia.

The Sub-Committee are unanimously of opinion that the Nova Scotia Company had no such power, and that there is on this ground no color of right capable of assertion in a Court within the meaning of the reference.

2. That there has been such acquiescence or action on the part of the Nova Scotia Government in the action of the Newfoundland Company as to disentitle Canada to prevent the Newfoundland Company from continuing to use the Nova Scotia Line.

The Sub-Committee also are unanimously of opinion that there is not on this ground any color of right capable of assertion in a Court within the meaning of the reference.

3. The Sub-Committee with some doubt report that there may be by reason of the acquiescence or action of the Nova Scotia Government a color of right capable of assertion in a Court in the Newfoundland Company or its successors to compensation in case the 14th clause is put in force against them; and they recommend that a clause should be inserted providing that nothing in the Act contained shall have the effect of depriving the Company of any right they may have to such compensation.”

The Committee have in conformity with the recommendation in the above Report amended the said Bill and agreed to report the same as amended for the consideration of your Honorable House.

Mr. *Bernier* introduced a Bill (No. 44) to amend the Act respecting Trade Marks, and Industrial Designs.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Brouse* introduced a Bill (No. 45) for the prevention of accidents, entailing loss of life, in breweries and distilleries.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Devlin* introduced a Bill (No. 46) to define and settle the duties, rights and responsibilities of Carriers by land and water.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker informed The House that the Clerk of the House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, a certificate of the Election and Return of *James Harshaw Fraser, Esq.*, Member to represent the Electoral District of the City of London.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* [Lambton] it was *Resolved*, That the attention of The House having been called to the fact that Mr. *Orton*, Member elect for the Electoral District of Centre Wellington, sat and voted in this House during the present Session without having qualified himself to sit and vote, by taking and subscribing the Oath prescribed in the 128th section of “The British North America Act, 1867,” the matter be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, with instructions to consider and report to The House on the proper course to be pursued, in relation thereto.

On motion of Mr. *Vail*, The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions with respect to the payment of certain Officers connected with the Militia.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Officer to be appointed to command the Militia of the Dominion of Canada under Bill No. 4 “to amend the Dominion Militia and Defence Acts” shall be paid at the rate of Four Thousand Dollars per annum in full of all pay and allowances.

2. *Résolved*, That it is expedient to provide that the Adjutant General of Militia at Headquarters, to be appointed under the said Bill, shall be paid at the rate of twenty-six hundred Dollars per annum.

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to;—and on motion of Mr. *Vail*, referred to the Committee of the Whole on Bill [No. 4] to amend the “Dominion Militia and Defence Acts.”

The said Bill was then considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and amendments concurred in, and the Bill ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The Resolution adopted in Committee of Supply, on Tuesday, the 16th instant, was reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and is as follows :—

2. To defray salaries of the Governor General Secretary's Office—\$8,025.00.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Thursday, the 18th instant, were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follows :—

CHARGES OF MANAGEMENT.

1.	{	Financial Inspector.....	\$2,600 00	
		Office of Assistant Receiver General, Toronto	7,500 00	
		do do do Montreal.....	5,500 00	
		do Auditor and do Halifax, N. S.....	10,000 00	
		do do do St. John, N. B.....	11,000 00	
		do do do Fort Garry.....	6,500 00	
		do do do Victoria, B. C.....	7,000 00	
		do do do Charlottetown, P. E. I.....	4,000 00	
		Country Savings Bank, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and British Columbia	12,000 00	
		Seigniorial Tenure and Commission.....	2,500 00	
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				\$68,600 00

CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

The Salaries of the Staff of the following Departments and Offices :—

3.	The Department of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada.....	14,380 00	
4.	The Department of Justice.....	16,200 00	
5.	do Militia and Defence.....	34,150 00	
6.	do Secretary of State.....	28,930 00	
7.	do The Minister of the Interior.....	39,390 00	
8.	do Receiver General.....	20,890 00	
9.	do Finance	47,000 00	
10.	do Customs.....	26,350 00	
11.	do Inland Revenue	23,840 00	
12.	do Public Works.....	49,890 00	
13.	Post Office Department.....	88,180 00	
14.	Department of Agriculture.....	27,340 00	
15.	do Marine and Fisheries.....	22,210 00	
16.	Treasury Board Office.....	3,250 00	
17.	Departmental Contingencies.....	175,000 00	
18.	Stationary Office for Stationery	20,000 00	
19.	Readjustment of Salaries (to be made as provided in amended Civil Service Act).....	70,000 00	
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			707,000 00

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

20.	Miscellaneous	10,000 00	
21.	Circuit Allowances, British Columbia.....	15,000 00	
22.	do Manitoba	3,000 00	
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			28,000 00

POLICE.

23.	Police of the Dominion	25,000 00	
24.	Mounted Police, Manitoba.....	185,000 00	
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			210,000 00

PENITENTIARIES.

25.	Penitentiary, Kingston, Ontario.....	92,689 88	
26.	Rockwood Asylum, Ontario.....	69,999 50	
27.	Penitentiary, Halifax, N. S.	27,599 80	
28.	do St. John, N. B.....	40,389 50	
29.	do St. Vincent de Paul, Q.....	53,956 35	
30.	Maintenance of prisoners, Manitoba, British Columbia and Prince Edward Island.....	37,000 00	
31.	Directors of Penitentiaries	10,500 00	
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			332,135 03

The Resolutions adopted in in Committee of Supply, on Friday, the 19th instant, were reported, and are as follows:—

LEGISLATION.

SENATE.

32. Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Senate..... 49,768 00

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

33. Salaries and Contingencies per Clerks' Estimate (including Canadian Hansard) 106,540 00
34. Salaries and Contingencies per Sergeant at Arms Estimate..... 35,860 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

35. Grant to Parliamentary Library 7,000 00
36. Printing, Binding and Distributing the Laws 12,500 00
37. Printing, Printing Paper and Bookbinding..... 50,000 00
38. Contingencies of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery..... 1,200 00
39. Miscellaneous Printing..... 2,000 00

264,868 00

ARTS, AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

40. Salaries and Contingent Expenses of Statistical Office, Halifax..... 4,100 00
41. Salary of 316 Deputy Registrars, Province of Nova Scotia, and allowance for getting Marriage Returns 1,880 00
42. To meet expenses in connection with the care of Archives..... 4,000 00
43. To meet expenses in connection with the organization of the Patent Record 5,500 00
44. To meet the possible amount required in the Fiscal Year for the Census *i. e.*, the unexpended balance of the year 1874-75, which is to be carried forward, and which is estimated at 55,000 00
45. To meet the probable expenditure required in connection with the Philadelphia Exhibition..... 40,000 00

110,480 00

IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

46. { Salaries of Immigration Agents and Employes 24,450 00
do do Travelling Agents..... 12,000 00
Medical Inspection of the Port of Quebec..... 2,600 00
Quarantine, Grosse Isle..... 12,200 00
do St. John, N. B..... 3,400 00
do Miramichi, N. B.; Pictou, N. S..... 2,000 00
do Sydney and Yarmouth, N. S..... 2,000 00
do Halifax, N. S..... 5,260 00
do Charlottetown, P. E. I..... 1,000 00
To meet expenses of further precautionary measures for the Public Health..... 20,000 00
Contingencies of Canadian and other regular Agencies 24,000 00
Travelling expenses of Travelling Agents..... 14,000 00

122,910 00

47. { Menonite Loan 100,000 00
Transport of Menonites 70,000 00
Towards assisting Immigration and meeting Immigration expenses..... 190,000 00

360,000 00

PENSIONS.

48. { Samuel Waller, late Clerk, House of Assembly..... 400 00
L. Gagné, Messenger do 72 00
John Bright, do do 80 00
Mrs. Antrobus..... 800 00

NEW MILITIA PENSIONS.

	Mrs. Caroline McEachern and four children.....	265 00
	Jane Lakey	146 00
	Rhoda Smith.	110 00
	Janet Anderson.....	110 00
	Margaret McKenzie	80 00
	Mary Ann Ritchie and two children	336 00
	Mary Morrison.....	80 00
	Louise Prud'homme and two children.....	110 00
	Virginie Charbon and four children.....	150 00
	Paul M. Robins.....	146 00
	Charles T. Bell.....	73 00
	Alex. Oliphant	109 50
	Charles Lugsden.....	91 25
	Thomas Charters.....	91 25
	Charles T. Robertson	110 00
	Percy G. Routh	400 00
	Richard S. King.....	400 00
49.	George A. McKenzie	73 00
	Edward Hilder.....	146 00
	Fergus Scholfield.....	73 00
	John Bradley	109 50
	Richard Penticost.....	91 25
	James Bryan.....	109 50
	Jacob Stubbs.....	73 00
	Mary Connor	110 00
	Mary Hodgins and three children.....	191 00
	John Martin.....	110 00
	A. W. Stevenson	110 00
	Mrs. J. Thorburn.....	150 00
	Mrs. P. T. Worthington and children	378 00
	Mrs. J. H. Elliott and children.....	130 00
	Ellen Kirkpatrick and three children	266 00
	Mrs. George Prentice and children.....	400 00
	Ensign Fahey	200 00
	Mary Hannah Temple and child	298 00
50.	To meet the probable amount required for Pensions to Veterans of War of 1812.....	50,000 00
51.	Compensation to Pensioners in lieu of land.....	3,000 00

65,178 00

MILITIA.

ORDINARY.

52.	Salaries of Militia Branch and District Staff.....	36,000 00
53.	Salaries of Brigade Majors.....	28,500 00
54.	Allowances for Drill Instruction.....	40,000 00
55.	Military College, including two Ordinary Schools under District Staff..	40,000 00
56.	Ammunition	40,000 00
57.	Clothing.....	75,000 00
58.	Military Stores.....	60,000 00
59.	Public Armouries and care of arms, including the pay of Storekeepers and Caretakers, Storemen, and the rents, fuel and light of public armouries.....	52,000 00
60.	Drill pay and all other incidental expenses connected with the Drill and Training of the Militia	375,000 00
61.	Contingencies and general service not otherwise provided for, including assistance to Rifle Associations and Bands of Efficient Corps.....	63,000 00
62.	Targets (Revote).....	5,000 00
63.	Drill Sheds and Rifle Ranges	10,500 00

EXTRAORDINARY.

64.	Care and Maintenance of Properties transferred from the Ordnance and the Imperial Government	10,000 00
65.	For Improved Firearms (Snider Rifles and "Henry Martini" Rifles.....	40,000 00
66.	Ordnance and Equipment of Field Batteries of Artillery.....	20,000 00
67.	Pay, Maintenance and Equipment of "A" and "B" Batteries Garrison Artillery and Schools of Gunnery, Kingston and Quebec.....	110,000 00
68.	Pay and Maintenance of Dominion Force in Manitoba.....	125,000 00

1,130,000 00

OCEAN AND RIVER SERVICE.

Dominion Steamers.

109. Maintenance and Repairs of Steamers <i>Napoleon III., Druid, Lady Head</i> and <i>Sir James Douglas</i>	101,450 00
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Mail Subsidies.

110. Moiety payable to Allan Line between Halifax and Cork.....	39,541 67
111. Steam Communication between Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.....	10,000 00
112. Steam Communication, Lake Superior	12,000 00
113. Steam Communication between Halifax and St. John <i>via</i> Yarmouth.....	10,000 00
114. Steam Communication on Lakes Huron and Superior	12,500 00
115. Steam Communication from St. John, New Brunswick, to Ports in Basin of Minas.....	4,000 00
116. Steam Service between San Francisco and Victoria, British Columbia....	54,000 00
117. Trinity House, Quebec	8,047 00
118. To provide for the examination of Masters and Mates.....	5,500 00
119. For purchase of Life Boats, Life Preservers and Rewards for Saving Life	4,000 00
120. To provide for investigation into Wrecks and Casualties, and Collection of information relating to disasters to shipping	2,500 00
121. Expenses in connection with Canadian Register and Classification of Shipping.....	6,000 00
122. To provide for Salary for Secretary of Pilotage Commissioners at the Port of St. John, N. B., \$800; to provide for Salary of Secretary of Pilotage Commissioners at Port of Halifax, N. S., \$800	1,600 00
123. Schooner Packet Service, Prince Edward Island, to and from small ports round the coast and to adjoining Provinces.....	1,000 00
124. Montreal Water Police.....	14,090 00
125. River Police, Quebec.....	28,200 00
	<hr/> 314,428 67

LIGHTHOUSE AND COAST SERVICE.

126. Salaries and Allowance of Lighthouse Keepers.....	142,024 50
127. Maintenance and Repairs.....	270,643 00
128. Construction of New Lighthouses	120,000 00
	<hr/> 532,667 50

FISHERIES.

Salaries and disbursements of Fishery Overseers and Wardens:—

129. { Ontario.....	9,000 00
{ Quebec	10,000 00
{ Nova Scotia, including Inspector and Clerk	13,200 00
{ New Brunswick do do	10,200 00
{ Prince Edward Island and Manitoba.....	2,000 00
{ British Columbia.....	1,000 00
130. Maintenance and Repairs of vessel for protection of Fisheries	10,000 00
131. Fish breeding, Fishways and Oyster Beds.....	20,600 00
	<hr/> 75,400 00

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY AND OBSERVATORIES.

OBSERVATORIES.

132. Observatory, Quebec	2,400 00
133. do Toronto.....	4,800 00
134. do Kingston	500 00
135. do Montreal.....	500 00
136. do New Brunswick	850 00
137. Grant for Meteorological Observatories, including instruments and cost of Telegraphing Weather Warnings.....	37,000 00
138. Additional for Geological Survey	5,000 00
	<hr/> 51,050 00

MARINE HOSPITALS AND SICK AND DISTRESSED SEAMEN.

MARINE HOSPITALS.

139.	Marine and Emigrant Hospital, Quebec.....	23,000 00
140.	{ Montreal General Hospital..... 4,500 00	
	{ Other Ports in Quebec..... 2,000 00	6,500 00
141.	{ St. Catharines Hospital, Ontario..... 500 00	
	{ Kingston Hospital..... 500 00	1,000 00
142.	{ Halifax General Hospital..... 4,000 00	
	{ Other Ports in Nova Scotia..... 14,000 00	18,000 00
143.	{ Hospital of St. John..... 5,000 00	
	{ Other Ports in New Brunswick..... 8,000 00	13,000 00
144.	Ports in British Columbia.....	2,000 00
145.	Ports in Prince Edward Island.....	1,500 00

EXPENSE OF SHIPWRECKED AND DISABLED SEAMEN.

146.	{ Province of Quebec.....	1,000 00
	{ do Nova Scotia.....	3,500 00
	{ do New Brunswick.....	2,000 00
	{ do British Columbia.....	500 00
	{ do Prince Edward Island.....	500 00
147.	To reimburse Board of Trade, London, for expenses incurred in connection with Shipwrecked and Distressed Seamen of the Dominion	6,000 00

78,500 00

STEAMBOAT INSPECTIONS.

SALARIES.

148.	{ Chairman.....	1,800 00
	{ Deputy Chairman.....	1,400 00
	{ Inspector Toronto District.....	1,200 00
	{ do Three Rivers District.....	1,000 00
	{ do Quebec District.....	1,000 00
	{ do East Ontario District.....	1,000 00
	{ do Montreal.....	1,200 00
	Travelling expenses of Chairman and expenses in connection with Steamboat Inspection.....	1,100 00
	Clerk to Inspection.....	300 00
	Travelling and incidental expenses of Inspector of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and contingencies of office.....	865 00
	Travelling expenses of Inspector of Toronto District and contingencies of office.....	600 00
	Travelling expenses of Inspector—Three Rivers.....	200 00
	{ do Quebec.....	250 00
	{ do East Ontario.....	330 00
	{ do Montreal.....	405 00
	To provide for expenses, inspecting Prince Edward Island Steamers....	500 00
	For purchase of Instruments and Test Gauges.....	550 00
	To provide travelling expenses of Inspector, British Columbia.....	500 00

14,200 00

Resolutions 32 to 45, inclusive, being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

Thomas Greenway, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Huron, having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.

And Resolution 46 being again read ;

And Debate arising thereon,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

FRIDAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1875.

And the Debate continuing,—the further consideration of the said Resolutions were, on motion of Mr. ~~Carter~~ *Carter*, adjourned until the next sitting of The House, this day.
The House then adjourned at 1 a. m.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *MacKay* (Cape Breton)—On Monday next—Address to His Excellency the Governor General for correspondence respecting the contemplated Transfer of the Railway Line between Truro and Quebec and the negotiations with English Capitalists regarding the building of a Railway with Louisburg as a Terminus.

Mr. *Gordon*—On Monday next—Address to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of Rules and Regulations given to and enjoined upon all Government Expeditions, Surveying and Exploring parties, respecting the observance of the Sabbath as a day of rest and respecting the provisions made (if any) to supply the spiritual wants of such Government expeditions as are above referred to, while engaged in the Government service.

Mr. *Gordon*—On Monday next—Address to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of the Report and Survey of Whitty Harbour as made by the Government Engineers during the Summer of 1874; with all correspondence respecting the condition of said Harbour and piers, depth of water and general efficiency as a Harbour of Refuge.

Mr. *Fournier*—On Monday next—That the House do then resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions:—

1. That it is expedient to provide that the salaries of the County Court Judges of the Province of Nova Scotia shall be as follows, namely:—

To seven County Court Judges, each, not less than \$1,000, and not more than \$2,000, to be fixed by the Governor in Council, and that a sum not exceeding \$200 for actual travelling expenses to be fixed as aforesaid, may be allowed to any of the County Court Judges.

2. That it is expedient to provide that the said County Court Judges shall be subject, as regards retiring allowances or annuities based upon their salaries above mentioned, as is provided in respect to County Court Judges in either of the Provinces of Ontario, New Brunswick or Prince Edward Island, by the provisions of the 37th Vic., ch. 1, sec. 8.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government will be prepared to consider favorably a proposition for granting aid from the Treasury of the Dominion to the project for a “*Miranichi Valley Railway*,” as the Road would greatly shorten the distance between Montreal and the nearest summer port to Europe, and be as likely to form an important feeder to the Intercolonial Railway?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—Address to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence, memoranda, propositions, Reports to Council and Minutes of Council in relation to aiding the Chatham Branch Railway, or in connection therewith.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to consider the advisability of taking over the Chatham Branch Railway, or working the same in connection with the Intercolonial Railway?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Monday next—Address to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement in detail of the several amounts paid out by the Government for work actually performed on Section Sixteen of the Intercolonial Railway, from the time the work was taken out of the hands of the Contractor until the present time, with the names of the parties to whom sums were paid and the particular duties performed therefor;

Also, a statement in detail of any other sums (if any) which have been paid by the Government in relation to said section, from the time the said section was taken out of the contractor's hands up to the present time, stating in detail the grounds for paying the same, and whether the amounts so paid (if any) were sanctioned by the contractor before payment, and if not, what steps were taken by the Government to ascertain the correctness of such payments;

Also, any report of the officer in charge of said work, or others, in relation to the completion and condition of said section when completed.

Mr. *Palmer*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all despatches that have passed between the Imperial Government and the Governor General on the subject of the appointment of the Commission on the claims of Canada for compensation under the Treaty of Washington.

Mr. *Casgrain*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to take any steps or proceedings, in so far as regards the privileges of this House, against such witnesses as are reported by the Election Judges or Election Courts, as having been guilty of corrupt practices, or otherwise, at the Elections held for the present Parliament; and if so, when, and in what manner?

No. 15.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 25TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 26TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

Twelve Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *Edward H. Goff* and others, of the City of Montreal and vicinity; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the National Insurance Company.

Of *James Saurin McMurray* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Dominion Railways Equipment Company.

Of the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade; praying that such steps may be taken as will cause the construction of a line of Telegraph between Matane and Fox River, on the Gaspé coast.

Of *Edwin Fox*, by his Attorney *J. Cassie Halton*, and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of The Canada Land Investment Guarantee Company.

Of the Canada Guarantee Company; praying for certain Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *William H. Hengston*, and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Metropolitan Insurance Company of Canada.

Of the Reverend *G. M. Jones*, M. A., Rector of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, Ontario, and others; of the Reverend *Anthony J. O'Loughlin* and others, of North Gower, County of Carleton; of the Municipal Council of the Township of McDougall, and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Macaulay, District of Muskoka; of the Municipal Council of the City of Ottawa; and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Stephen, County of Huron; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the fourth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the notices given on the following Petitions and find them sufficient, viz.:—Of the Board of Trade of the Town of Levis, for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation; Of *Edwin Russell* and others, of the Province of British Columbia, for an Act of incorporation for the purpose of constructing a Railway from Red River, in the Province of Manitoba, to some point in the Province of British Columbia on the Pacific Ocean; Of the Western Assurance Co., for an Act authorizing them to increase their capital stock, and for further amendments to their Act of incorporation; Of the Canada Southern Railway Co., for an act empowering them to amalgamate or consolidate its stock with the Erie and Niagara Railway Co., or with any other Railway Co., to form part of its Railway system; Of the Erie and Niagara Railway Co., for an Act empowering them to amalgamate with the Canada Southern Railway

Co.; Of *Alexander Morris* and others, of Manitoba, for an Act of incorporation under the name of the Manitoba and North-West Permanent Building Society; Of the Canada Car and Manufacturing Co., for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation; Of the Canadian Navigation Co., for an Act to remove doubts as to the powers conferred upon the said Company by the Act 31 Vict., cap. 21, by declaring that the Directors, with the consent of the shareholders, may dispose of the stock of the Company; Of the European and American Express and Agency Company, for incorporation; Of the Hon. *Alexander Campbell*, of the City of Toronto, and others, for incorporation under the name of the Canadian Steam-users Association; Of the Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Co., for an Act to provide a more convenient and effective mode of issuing and securing the Debentures of the Co., to be issued under the borrowing powers already conferred upon them, and for regulating the powers of the Trustees; and of *Sir Hugh Allan* and others, of the City of Montreal, for incorporation under the name of the "St. Lawrence Bridge Co.," with powers to build a Bridge for Railway and general purposes, at or near St. Helen's Island, near the City of Montreal.

Mr. Cartwright presented,—Return to Address of the 18th instant; for a Return showing, with respect to the allowances and gratuities granted under the Act 33 Vict., Cap. 4, since the beginning of the year 1874, the grounds of superannuation in each case, the age of each person superannuated, the names and ages of the persons appointed to succeed the person so superannuated, and the offices and salaries held by such successors respectively.

Mr. Mackenzie (Montreal) introduced a Bill (No. 47) to amend the Act incorporating the Canadian Navigation Company.—Second reading on Monday next.—

Mr. Jetté introduced a Bill [No. 48] to incorporate the European and American Express and Agency Company.—Second reading on Monday next.—

Mr. Irving introduced a Bill [No. 49] to incorporate The Manitoba and North-West Permanent Building Society.—Second reading on Monday next.—

Mr. Desjardins introduced a Bill [No. 50] respecting the Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company.—Second reading on Monday next.—

Also,—a Bill [No. 51] to incorporate the St. Lawrence Bridge Company.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. Dewdney introduced a Bill [No. 52] to incorporate a Company, to construct, own, and operate a Railway from Red River in the Province of Manitoba, to a point in British Columbia on the Pacific Ocean.—Second reading on Monday next.—

Mr. Maclellan introduced a Bill (No. 53) to incorporate the Canadian Steam User's Association.—Second reading on Monday next.—

Mr. Burpee (St. John) presented,—Return to Address of the 17th instant; for

1st. The entire quantity of ground gypsum, or land plaster, imported into the Dominion of Canada from the United States, since the 1st day of April, 1874.

2nd. For the respective quantities of said ground gypsum, or land plaster, imported from the United States, as received at the several Lake and River Ports of the Dominion.

3rd. For the entire sum collected as Revenue from the said article of ground gypsum, or land plaster, between the 1st day of April, and the 1st day of December, 1874.

The following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed, viz:—

No. 12. To amend the Acts for the better preservation of the Peace in the vicinity of Public Works.

No. 4. To amend the Dominion Militia and Defence Acts.

The Bill (No. 29) respecting Insolvency was read the second time, and referred to a Select Committee composed of Messrs. *Fournier*, *Sir John A. Macdonald*, *Blake*, *Holton*, *Cameron*, (*Cardwell*), *Wilkes*, *Cauchon*, *Devlin*, *Jetté*, *Davies*, *Pelletier*, *Thibaudeau*, *De Veber*, *Laframme*, *Colby*, *Jones* (Halifax), *Wood*, *Cunningham*, *Appleby*, *Moss*, *Irving*, *Ryan*, *Barthe*, *Mousseau*, *Palmer* and *Maclellan*, to report thereon with all convenient speed;—and Rule 73 was suspended, as regards the number of the said Committee.

The House proceeded to the further consideration of Resolution 46, (and remaining Resolutions, reported from the Committee of Supply on Friday, the 19th instant).

And Resolution 45 being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Cartwright moved, that Resolution 47, be now read a second time.

Mr. Masson moved in amendment, that this Resolution be not concurred in, but that it be Resolved, That the sum of \$100,000 for Menonite Loan be reduced to \$50,000.

And a Debate arising,—and it being six o'clock P. M., *Mr. Speaker* adjourned The House, until half past seven, P. M.

7.30 P. M.

[The Order for Private Bills was called, under Rule 19.]

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to Committees, as follows:—

To the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce :

- No. 25. To incorporate the Lower Ottawa Boom Company.
- No. 27. To incorporate the Industrial Life Insurance Company.
- No. 23. To incorporate La Banque St. Jean Baptiste.
- No. 24. To incorporate the Pictou Coal and Iron Company.
- No. 42. To incorporate the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company.

To the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills :

- No. 26. To incorporate the *Intelligencer* Printing and Publishing Company.

The House resumed the Debate on Mr. *Masson's* amendment to Resolution 47.

Mr. *Holton* moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that all the words after "that" in the amendment be left out, and the following words be added to the main motion : "but this House will cheerfully assent to any measure that may be proposed by the Government to encourage the settlement of native Canadians, now living in the United States, on the vacant lands of the Dominion;" which was agreed to.

The said Resolution (47) was then agreed to, as amended.

Resolutions 48 to 60, inclusive, being read a second time, were severally agreed to.
And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY, 1875.

Resolutions 61 to 68 and 109 and 110, being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

The further consideration of Resolution 111 and remaining Resolutions, was postponed until Monday next.—

The House then adjourned at 12.15. A.M., until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Haggart*—On Monday next—Address to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of all letters, papers and correspondence between the Government or Department of Agriculture and the Chief Emigration Agent or Agent General, London, since his appointment.

Mr. *Macdonald* (Glengarry)—On Monday next—That the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following resolutions:—

1. That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 Vict., Cap. 10, for the regulation of the Postal Service.
2. That it is expedient to make the following amendments to the several sections of the said Act, relating to the rates and mode of payment of postage; that is to say: 1. The 19th section shall be so amended as to read as follows:—

"19. On all letters transmitted by post for any distance within Canada, except in cases herein otherwise specially provided for, there shall be charged and paid one uniform rate of *three cents* per half ounce weight, any fraction of a half ounce being chargeable as a half-ounce; and such postage stamp or stamps at the time of posting the letter, otherwise such letter shall not be forwarded by post."

2. The 20th section shall be so amended as to read as follows:—

20. On letters not transmitted through the mails, but posted and delivered at the same Post Office commonly known as local or drop letters, the rate shall be *one cent per half ounce in weight*, to be in all cases prepaid by postage stamps affixed to such letters.

3. The 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th sections shall be repealed and the following sections substituted for them:—

"22. The rate of postage on newspapers and periodical publication printed and published in Canada, and issued not less frequently than once a month from a known office of publication or news agency, and addressed and posted by and from the same to regular subscribers or news agents, shall be *one cent* for each pound weight or any fraction of a pound weight, to be prepaid by postage stamps or otherwise as the Postmaster General

may from time to time direct: and such newspapers and periodicals shall be put up into packages and delivered into the post office, and the postage rate thereon prepaid by the sender thereof, under such regulations as the Postmaster-General may from time to time direct."

"23. Newspapers and periodicals weighing less than one ounce each may be posted singly at a postage rate of *half a cent* each, which must be in all cases prepaid by postage stamp affixed to each."

4. The 25th section shall be so amended as to read as follows:—

"25. On all newspapers and periodicals posted in Canada, except in the cases hereinbefore expressly provided for, and on books, pamphlets, occasional publications, printed circulars, prices current, hand-bills, book and newspaper manuscripts, printers' proof-sheets, whether corrected or not; maps, prints, drawings, engravings, lithographers, photographs when not on glass or in cases containing glass, sheet music, whether printed or written; documents, wholly or partly printed or written, such as deeds, insurance policies, militia and school returns, or other documents of like nature; packages of seeds, cuttings, bulbous roots, scions or grafts, patterns or samples of goods or merchandize, the rate of postage shall be *one cent* for each four ounces or fraction of four ounces."

"Provided that no letter or other communication intended to serve the purpose of a letter be sent or inclosed in any such newspaper or other package or thing mentioned in this or the next preceding section, and that the same be sent in covers open at the ends or sides, or otherwise so put up as to admit of inspection by the officers of the Post Office to ensure compliance with this provision, and the postage rate shall be prepaid by postage stamp or stamped post bands or wrappers, in all cases when any such articles as are mentioned in this section are posted in Canada."

5. The 29th section shall be amended by adding at the end thereof the following provisions:—

"And when any letter or other mailable matter is posted in Canada without prepayment, or insufficiently prepaid, in any case in which prepayment is by this Act made obligatory, the Postmaster General may detain the same, and return it, when practicable, to the sender."

6. The 40th section shall be amended by substituting "*three cents*" for "*five cents*," as the additional postage to be charged on dead letters to defray the costs of returning the same.

7. The 44th section shall be amended by striking out the provision that the expense of carrying United States mails over any portion of Canada, shall be paid by the United States.

3. That it is expedient that the said amendments and such other of the amendments proposed in the Bill No. 11, now before this House, as may be adopted by it, be incorporated with the said Act, 31 Viet., cap. 10, so as to consolidate the Statute Law regulating the Postal Service.

Mr. Galbraith—On Wednesday next—SELECT COMMITTEE to investigate the causes of certain alleged losses said to be sustained by *Alexander Youll*, of the Township of Ramsay, as prayed for in his petition to Parliament, said Committee to have power to send for persons and papers.

Mr. Palmer—On Monday next—BILL entitled "An Act relating to Interest and Usury in the Province of New Brunswick."

Mr. Campbell—On Monday next — ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY — Whether it is the intention of the Government to proceed with work on the St. Peter's Canal, and when?

Hon. Mr. Fournier — On Monday next—That The House do go into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following resolutions:—

1. That it is expedient to provide,—

That the annual salaries of the Chief Justice and Judges mentioned in the Bill No. 31, to establish a Supreme Court and a Court of Exchequer, for the Dominion of Canada, be fixed at the rates following, that is to say:

The Chief Justice of the said Courts	\$
The Puisné Judges of the said Courts	\$

and that such salaries shall be paid and payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada, after paying and reserving sufficient to pay all such sums as have been heretofore charged thereon, but in preference to all payments which be hereafter charged thereon.

2. That in case any Chief Justice or Judge of the said Courts has continued in the office for fifteen years or upwards, or in the said office and that of one or more of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity or of the Court of Vice-Admiralty in any of the Provinces of the Dominion, for periods amounting together to fifteen years or upwards, or becomes afflicted with some permanent infirmity, disabling him from the due execution of his office, then, in case such Chief Justice or Judge resigns his office, Her Majesty may, by letters patent under the Great Seal of Canada, reciting such period of office or such permanent infirmity, grant unto such Chief Justice or Judge an annuity equal to two-thirds of the salary annexed to the office he held at the time of his resignation, to commence immediately after his resignation, and to continue thenceforth during his natural life, and to be payable by monthly instalments, and *pro rata* for any period less than a year, during such continuance, out of any unappropriated moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

3. That the Registrar of the said Courts shall be paid an annual salary at the rate of \$: and a *precis* writer to act as Secretary to the Chief Justice and Judges of the said Courts shall be paid a salary to be determined by the Governor in Council.

4. That all fees payable to the said Registrar, shall be paid by means of stamps, which shall be issued for that purpose by the Minister of Inland Revenue, who shall regulate the sale thereof, and that the proceeds of the sale of such stamps shall be paid into the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

5. That Sheriffs and Coroners executing the process or orders of either of the said Courts shall receive for their own use such fees as the Judges of the said Courts shall, by general order, fix and determine.

Hon Mr. *Fournier*—On Monday next—That the House do go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following resolutions:—

That it is expedient to provide—

That the annual salaries of the officers mentioned in Bill No. 35 respecting Penitentiaries and the inspection thereof and for other purposes be fixed at the rates following; that is to say:—

Inspector, not exceeding	\$2,000
Warden, not exceeding.....	2,600
and not less than.....	\$1,000
Deputy Warden, not exceeding.....	1,400
and not less than.....	600
Chief Keeper, not exceeding.....	800
and not less than.....	500
Chaplains, each, not exceeding.....	1,200
and not less than.....	400
Assistant Chaplains, not exceeding.....	500
and not less than.....	300
Surgeon, not exceeding.....	1,200
and not less than.....	400
Accountant, not exceeding.....	1,000
and not less than.....	500
Schoolmaster, not exceeding.....	600
and not less than.....	250
Storekeeper, not exceeding.....	700
and not less than.....	400
Steward, not exceeding.....	650
and not less than.....	400
(If the above two offices be combined, the salary may be that of the Storekeeper.)	
Trade Instructor, not exceeding.....	700
and not less than.....	500
Keeper, not exceeding.....	500
and not less than.....	400
Guard, not exceeding.....	450
and not less than.....	350
Other Male Servants, not exceeding per day.....	1
Matron, not exceeding.....	500
and not less than.....	250
Deputy Matron, not exceeding.....	300
and not less than.....	200
Assistant Deputy Matron, not exceeding.....	250
and not less than.....	175
School Mistress, not exceeding.....	250
and not less than.....	120
<i>Officers of Rockwood Asylum.</i>	
The Medical Superintendent, not exceeding.....	2,000
and not less than.....	1,600

2. That it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, to fix such salaries and allowances to the officers of the Rockwood Asylum other than the Medical Superintendent, as the Governor may from time to time think reasonable, regard being had to the number of insane persons confined in the Asylum, and to the officer's length of service.

3. That every convict under sentence for life or for not less than two years, upon his discharge, either by expiration of sentence or otherwise, shall be furnished at the expense of the Penitentiary with a suit of clothing other than prison clothing, and with such sum of money as shall be sufficient to pay his travelling expenses to the place at which he received his sentence, and such other sum in addition, not exceeding twenty dollars, as the Warden may deem proper.

Mr. *Tremblay*—On Monday next—Address to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement shewing the number of pieces of square timber, spars, masts, deals and boards exported, from the month of April, 1874, up to this date, from the Counties of Chicoutimi and Saguenay; the said statement to specify the kinds of timber, the quantity of each kind, the places where the timber was shipped, the names of the proprietors and of the agents of the establishments where the timber was exported.

Mr. *Wilkes*—On Monday next—Address to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of Instructions given to Collectors of Customs in Ontario to collect Montreal Harbor Dues, on all freight landed at the Port of Montreal; also, a statement of the rate of dues so levied, and the principle on which they are computed.

Mr. *Wilkes*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Orders in Council or other authority granted to certain American Steamboat proprietors, known as the "*Kitson Line*," to trade on the Red River in the Province of Manitoba—said Company being reputed to discriminate in its rates of freight against merchandize from the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, and to have a practical monopoly of the Trade of the Red River.

Mr. *Cheval*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether [with a view to cause the different nationalities of this Confederation to arrive at a true mutual understanding and a better knowledge of their political requirements, rights and duties, and of the veritable tendencies, real worth and true character of public men and of producing that good feeling and harmony between them which are essential to the formation of a great nation] it is the intention of the Government to take the necessary steps to cause the Debates of this House to be published in both the English and French languages?

Mr. *De Cosmos*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and that of the United States, and between any person in British Columbia and the Dominion Government, respecting the right of entering fish-oils and fish of British Columbia, duty free, in the United States, under the twenty-first article of the Treaty of Washington, dated May 8, 1851.

Mr. *Cartwright*—On Monday next—BILL respecting Insurance.

Mr. *Cartwright*—On Monday next—BILL respecting the Civil Service.

Mr. *Blake*—On Monday next—Resolution, That it is expedient to provide by Law for the issue of Commissions of Enquiry in cases in which the Judges of Election petitions report that there is reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the Election, and to provide that in such cases no writ shall issue save by order of this House.

Mr. *Biggar*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to take any steps towards securing a Consolidation of the Dominion Statutes.

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the respective Committees on or after Friday 5th March next:

Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

- No. 25. To incorporate the Lower Ottawa Boom Company.
- No. 27. To incorporate the Industrial Life Insurance Company.
- No. 28. To incorporate La Banque *St. Jean Baptiste*.
- No. 24. To incorporate the Pictou Coal and Iron Company.
- No. 42. To incorporate the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company.

Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

- No. 26. To incorporate the *Intelligencer* Printing and Publishing Company.

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OTTAWA, MONDAY, 1ST MARCH, 1875.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Lists of Stockholders of the Merchants' Bank of Canada, on the 30th June, 1874,—Of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax (N.S.), on the 18th February, 1875,—and of the City Bank, Montreal, on the 20th February, 1875, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Vict.*, Cap. 5, Sec. 12. Also,

General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the District of Beauharnois, Iberville and Terrebonne, for the year 1874,—and in the Electoral District of Berthier, District of Richelieu, for the year 1874.

Twenty-three Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), presented,—Return to Address of the 22nd ult., for a Return of the number of Counties in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick in which Examiners of Fish Inspectors have been appointed; the number of Inspectors appointed in each County; also, the quantity of fish or fish-oil inspected, with description of package, and by whom inspected, and amount of fees collected.

Also,—Return to Address of the 22nd ult., for copies of any Despatch or Despatches, received from the Imperial Government on the subject of the Naturalization of Aliens, since the Despatch of the Earl of *Kimberley*, of date the 3rd September, 1873.

Also,—Return to Address of the 11th May, 1874; for copy of contract for the removal of wrecks at the entrance of Richibucto Harbor in New Brunswick; with the names of the sureties and sums paid on such contract; also copy of Report of Engineer, or other officers, of work performed, on which Report payment was made.

Also,—Return to Address of the 18th May, 1874; for all Orders in Council, correspondence and papers in reference to the construction of a Bridge over *Oliner's* Ferry.

Also,—Return to Address of the 20th April, 1874; for a list of persons to whom contracts have been awarded for the construction of the several sections of the works now in progress, or hereafter to be commenced on the Welland Canal for which Tenders have been received, with the names of their sureties; also a list of the tenders made for the same, specifying the names of persons so tendering, the sections for which they severally tendered, and the amount of each tender.

Also,—Return to Address of the 20th April, 1874; for a statement of the number of Emigrants conveyed over the Dawson Road to Manitoba since the opening of the said Road; also the cost of conveyance of such Emigrants to Manitoba, shewing the average cost of each person, so carried.

Also,—Return to Address of the 20th May, 1874: for copies of instructions furnished by the Department of Public Works to one Mr. *Johnston*, for the survey of that portion of the Ottawa River lying between the foot of *Paquette's* Rapids and Head of Allumette Island; also copies of all plans of said survey, with Mr. *Johnston's* report thereon, together with the estimated cost of improving the navigation at *Paquette's* Rapids and Allumette Rapids so as to admit of the passage of steamers, and the scale of prices upon which such estimate of cost is based.

And,—Return to Address of the 18th May, 1874: for copies of all tenders and correspondence relating to the contract for carrying passengers and freight between Thunder Bay and Fort Garry, with the names of parties tendering, and amount of bonus asked; the rate per head to be charged for passengers, and the rate per ton for freight; the number of passengers and amount of freight which said contractors are bound to carry, and the time agreed upon to make the trip; with statement of any other arrangements made which were not included in original tender; also names of sureties offered with amount for which such sureties are liable.

Mr. *Laird* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Department of the Interior, for the year ended, 30th June, 1874.

The following Petitions were read and received :

Of the Reverend *J. D. Déziel*, curé, and others, of the Parish of Notre Dame de Lévis, County of Lévis; of *J. Hogle* and others, and of *George Hislop* and others, of Henryville, County of Iberville; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Longueuil, County of Prescott; of the Municipal Council of the Township of South Norwich, County of Oxford; of *A. C. Munroe* and others, of the Township of Kenyon, County of Glengarry; of the Reverend *John Corbett* and others, of the County of Argenteuil; of *B. T. Norris* and others, of the Township of Bolton, and of *M. B. Jewell* and others, of the Township of Farnham, County of Brome; of *Henry Rhanalds* and others, of Hemmingford, of *W. W. Dalgliesh* and others, of the Village of Huntingdon, and of the Reverend *Francis Hunt* and others, of the Township of Franklin, County of Huntingdon; of the Reverend *E. Demers*, curé and others, of Ste. Anne des Plaines, County of Terrebonne; of *C. L. Farnsworth* and others, and of *Edwin Crosby* and others, of Compton, County of Compton; of the Reverend *Thomas Gales* and others, of the City of Montreal; of *Barnabas McGie* and others, of Hopetown and Shigowake, and of *William Scott* and others, of New Carlisle, County of Bonaventure; of the Reverend *F. Catillier* and others, of St. George, County of Beauce; of *James Crozier* and others, of Summerside, County of Prince, Prince Edward Island; of the Religious Society of Friends in Canada; of *A. Drennan* and others, of Metis, County of Rimouski; of *Adam Crozier* and others, of the Township of Westmeath, of the Municipal Council of the Township of Westmeath, and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Stafford, County of Renfrew; of the Reverend *François N. Fortier* and others, of St. François, Island of Orleans, County of Montmorency; and of the Municipal Council of the Village of Fort Erie; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Montreal, Chambly and Sorel Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change their name to that of the Montreal, Portland and Boston Railway Company, and also for an extension of powers.

Of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time limited for the completion of the canal; to authorize them to receive gifts or grants of land or monies from States, Governments, Corporations or Individuals, or in exchange for stock in said Company, to purchase or acquire lands, and to sell and convey the same, to open offices in New York, Chicago and elsewhere, and for other purposes.

Of the Northern Railway Company of Canada; praying for the passing of an Act to re-arrange its capital account, to change its guage, and for consolidation of its loan capital and its statutory enactments, and for other purposes.

Of the Quebec Board of Trade; praying that the clauses 7 and 12 of the Bill now before Parliament to amend the Act for the regulation of the Postal Service, may not become law.

Of *A. De Cosmos* and others, Members of the House of Commons; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of The North-Western Manufacturing Company.

Mr. *Palmer* introduced a Bill (No. 54) relating to Interest and Usury in the Province of New Brunswick.—Second reading to-morrow.—

Mr. *Fréchette* introduced a Bill (No. 55) to amend the Act incorporating the Board of Trade of the Town of Lévis.—Second Reading to-morrow.—

James Harshaw Fraser, Esq., Member, for the Electoral District of the City of London, having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.

On motion of Mr. *Gordon*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for Returns respecting that portion of the Missisagua Indian Tribe, now settled upon Scugog Island.

1st. For the amount invested by the Dominion Government on their behalf in the lands which said Indians now occupy.

2nd. For the amount of all other funds originally received from and invested in behalf of said Indians, with the several annual additions thereto:—showing how said funds are invested; at what rate of interest, and the several annual payments, or donations made by Government to them, since the first receipt, and investment of said funds in the Indians' behalf.

Mr. *Mills* moved, that the House do resolve itself immediately into a Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That the present mode of constituting the Senate is inconsistent with the Federal Principle in our system of Government, makes the Senate alike independent of the people and the Crown, and is in other material respects defective,—and that our Constitution ought to be so amended as to confer upon each Province the power of selecting its own Senators and to define the mode of their selection;—which was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Archibald,	De St. Georges,	Lajoie,	Power,
Barthe,	Dymond,	Landerkin,	Pozer,
Béchar, d,	Fleming,	Macdonell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Richard,
Bernier,	Flynn,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Blake,	Fournier,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Ross (<i>Prince Edward</i>),
Borron,	Galbraith,	Mackenzie (<i>Montreal</i>),	Ryan,
Bourassa,	Gibson,	MacLennan,	Rymal,
Bowman,	Gillies,	McCraney,	Schultz,
Campbell,	Gordon,	McDougall (<i>Renfrew</i>),	Seriver,
Carmichael,	Hagar,	McIntyre,	Shibley,
Cartwright,	Holton,	McIsaac,	Sinclair,
Casey,	Horton,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	Smith (<i>Prel</i>),
Cheval,	Huntington,	Metcalf,	Stirton,
Church,	Irving,	Mills,	St. Jean,
Cockburn,	Jetté,	Moss,	Taschereau,
Coupal,	Jodoin,	Oliver,	Tremblay,
Cushing,	Killam,	Paterson,	Trow,
Dawson,	Lafamme,	Pelletier,	Yeo,
De Cosmos,	Laird,	Pouliot,	Yong.—77.
Delorme,			

NAYS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Costigan,	Masson,	Robitaille,
Aylmer,	Currier,	McCallum,	Roscoe,
Baby,	Desjardins,	McDonald (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Bertram,	Domville,	McLeod,	Rouleau,
Biggar,	Farrow,	McQuade,	Scateherd,
Blain,	Ferris,	Mitchell,	Skinner,
Borden,	Flesher,	Moffat,	Snider,
Bowell,	Forbes,	Monteith,	Stephenson,
Brouse,	Fraser,	Monsseau,	Thibaudau,
Brown,	Gaudet,	Murray,	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Bunster,	Gillmor,	Orton,	Thompson (<i>Haldimand</i>),
Burpee, (<i>St. John</i>),	Goudge,	Ouimet,	Thomson (<i>Welland</i>),
Burpee, (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Greenway,	Palmer,	Wallace (<i>Albert</i>),
Cameron, (<i>Cardwell</i>),	Hall,	Perry,	Wallace- (<i>Norfolk</i>),
Caron,	Harwood,	Pickard,	White,
Casgrain,	Kirk,	Platt,	Wood,
Cauchon,	Lanthier,	Plumb,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>),
Cimon,	Little,	Ray,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>).—74.
Coffin,	Macmillan,		

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein and progress having been reported, the Committee obtained leave to sit again, on Monday next.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry)—On Tuesday next—That The House go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following resolutions:—

1. That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 Vict., Cap. 10, for the regulation of the Postal Service.

2. That it is expedient to make the following amendments to the several sections of the said Act, relating to the rates and mode of payment of postage; that is to say: 1. The 19th section shall be so amended as to read as follows:—

"19. On all letters transmitted by post for any distance within Canada, except in cases herein otherwise specially provided for, there shall be charged and paid one uniform rate of *three cents* per half ounce weight, any fraction of a half-ounce being chargeable as a half-ounce; and such postage stamp or stamps at the time of posting the letter, otherwise such letter shall not be forwarded by post, except that letters addressed to any place in Canada on which one full rate of three cents has been so prepaid, shall be forwarded to their destination charged with double the amount of postage thereon not prepaid, which shall be collected on delivery."

2. The 20th section shall be so amended as to read as follows:—

20. On letters not transmitted through the mails, but posted and delivered at the same Post Office commonly known as local or drop letters, the rate shall be *one cent per half ounce in weight*, to be in all cases prepaid by postage stamps affixed to such letters.

3. The 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th sections shall be repealed and the following sections substituted for them:—

"22. The rate of postage on newspapers and periodical publication printed and published in Canada, and issued not less frequently than once a month from a known office of publication or news agency, and addressed and posted by and from the same to regular subscribers or news agents, shall be *one cent* for each pound weight or any fraction of a pound weight, to be prepaid by postage stamps or otherwise as the Postmaster General may from time to time direct: and such newspapers and periodicals shall be put up into packages and delivered into the post office, and the postage rate thereon prepaid by the sender thereof, under such regulations as the Postmaster-General may from time to time direct."

"23. Newspapers and periodicals weighing less than one ounce each may be posted singly at a postage rate of *half a cent* each, which must be in all cases prepaid by postage stamp affixed to each."

4. The 26th section shall be so amended as to read as follows:—

"26. On all newspapers and periodicals posted in Canada, except in the cases hereinbefore expressly provided for, and on books, pamphlets, occasional publications, printed circulars, prices current, hand-bills, book and newspaper manuscripts, printers' proof-sheets, whether corrected or not; maps, prints, drawings, engravings, lithographers, photographs when not on glass or in cases containing glass, sheet music, whether printed or written; documents, wholly or partly printed or written, such as deeds, insurance policies, militia and school returns, or other documents of like nature; packages of seeds, cuttings, bulbous roots, scions or grafts, patterns or samples of goods or merchandize, the rate of postage shall be *one cent* for each four ounces or fraction of four ounces."

"Provided that no letter or other communication intended to serve the purpose of a letter be sent or inclosed in any such newspaper or other package or thing mentioned in this or the next preceding section, and that the same be sent in covers open at the ends or sides, or otherwise so put up as to admit of inspection by the officers of the Post Office to ensure compliance with this provision, and the postage rate shall be prepaid by postage stamp or stamped post bands or wrappers, in all cases when any such articles as are mentioned in this section are posted in Canada."

5. The 29th section shall be amended by adding at the end thereof the following provisions:—

"And when any letter or other mailable matter is posted in Canada without prepayment, or insufficiently prepaid, in any case in which prepayment is by this Act made obligatory, the Postmaster General may detain the same, and return it, when practicable, to the sender."

6. The 40th section shall be amended by substituting "*three cents*" for "*five cents*," as the additional postage to be charged on dead letters to defray the costs of returning the same.

7. The 44th section shall be amended by striking out the provision that the expense of carrying United States mails over any portion of Canada, shall be paid by the United States.

3. That it is expedient that the said amendments and such other of the amendments proposed in the Bill No. 11, now before this House, as may be adopted by it, be incorporated with the said Act, 31 Vict., cap. 10, so as to consolidate the Statute Law regulating the Postal Service.

Mr. Palmer—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to take any, and if so, what measures for the settlement of the claims of Contractors on the several sections of the Intercolonial Railway?

Mr. Borron—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of Treaty or Treaties made in the year Eighteen hundred and fifty at Sault Ste. Marie between the Honorable William Benjamin Robinson of the one part, on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen, and the Chiefs and principal men of the Indian Tribes inhabiting the Northern shores of Lakes Huron and Superior, of the other part;

Return of the amount produced by the property then ceded by the parties of the second part, and that whether derived from the sale of land, of timber limits or from ground rents and timber dues;

Opinions of the Honorable the Minister of Justice, and of the legal adviser of the Indian Branch of the Department of the Minister of the Interior, and any correspondence that may have taken place between the Dominion Government and that of the Province of Ontario in reference to the claims of the said Indian Tribes and the liability of the said Province therefor.

Mr. *Bertram*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of instructions issued to Postmasters in cities, towns and villages by the Postmaster General, under authority of Sec. 42 of 31 Vict., with reference to dutiable goods brought into the Dominion through the Post Office.

Mr. *Cameron* (Cardwell)—That the following clauses be added to the Bill of the Honorable Mr. *Fournier* to amend the Law relating to Controverted Elections:—

Every Election Petition shall be brought to trial by the Petitioner within six months from the time of the presentation of the Petition, and if not so brought to trial, it shall be dismissed with costs against the Petitioner; provided always that nothing herein contained shall prevent any appeal after such trial, although such six months as aforesaid, shall have elapsed before such appeal.

Whenever the Judge presiding at the trial of any Election Petition shall, under the thirtieth section of the said recited Act, report any candidate or person as having been proved at such trial guilty of a corrupt practice, the Speaker, upon the receipt of such report, shall transmit a copy thereof to the Minister of Justice, who shall forthwith direct the necessary proceedings to be taken for the trial of the candidate or person so reported.

The sixty-seventh section of the said recited Act is hereby amended by striking out therefrom, wherever they occur, the words "and who is not a member of the House of Commons."

Mr. *Blake*—In Committee of the Whole on the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Controverted Elections," to amend clause 2 by adding the words following "Provided that whenever months have elapsed after such Petition is at issue, without the day for the trial being fixed, any elector may, on application, be substituted for the Petitioner on such terms as shall be just."

Mr. *Blake*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intends to propose any readjustment of the salaries of the Judges of the County Courts.

Mr. *McDonald* [Cape Breton]—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of the amount paid to Newspapers in the Province of Nova Scotia, for Government advertising, for the year ending December 31st, 1875; the amount paid to each Newspaper respectively and the amount from each Department of the Government.

Mr. *McDonald* [Cape Breton]—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to make provision this year for the building of the Sydney and East Bay Canal in Nova Scotia as per Engineer's report.

Mr. *Gillies*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return shewing the different amounts expended and under expenditure, or granted, for the construction or improvement of Harbors at various points between Port Sarnia and Cape Hurd, on the east coast of Lake Huron and the Georgian Bay, since confederation; as also a statement shewing which of them are accounted Harbors of Refuge.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of all papers and correspondence had with the Government or Resolutions of the Boards of Trade, forwarded to the Government in relation to the Inspection of Fish and Fish-oils under the Act 36 Victoria, Cap. 49.

Mr. *Goudge*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for Returns of all Gypsum imported from the United States into Canada, shewing the ports or places from which it was shipped; as also the ports at which it has been entered; the quantity entered in a crude state; that entered as ground for purposes of manure; that entered as ground for purposes of manufacture; that entered as calcined plaster; also, the rate and amount of duties collected from the same.

Mr. *Fleming*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for Returns shewing the quantity and value of Salt, Coal, Coke, Wheat, Corn and other grains; Wheat and Rye Flour and Meal, exported from and imported into the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, from the 7th April, 1870, to the 1st April, 1871, with the amount of Duties collected on these articles at each port of entry.

Mr. *Goudge*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to establish a school or schools among the Indians of Nova Scotia similar to that established in some of the other Provinces?

Mr. *Tremblay*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House copies of all Despatches sent by the Imperial Government since the 7th November, 1873, respecting the reference to Her Majesty's Privy Council, of the question of Separate Schools in the Province of New Brunswick, with a copy of the Judgment rendered in the matter by the Honorable the Privy Council.

Mr. Cartwright—On Wednesday next—That the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions:

1. That it is expedient to amend the Act for the Issue of Dominion Notes by enacting that the Receiver General shall hold in Specie the excess above \$12,000,000.

2. That the Receiver General shall hold 50 per cent of the amount between \$9,000,000 and \$12,000,000 in Specie.

Mr. Mills—On Wednesday next—the following Resolutions as the basis of an Address for an amendment to the British North America Act, for the purposes of carrying out the views of the House upon the subject of the amendment of the Constitution of the Senate.

Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the British North America Act, 1867, in relation to the Constitution of the Senate, as follows:—

1. That the present mode of constituting the Senate of Canada is inconsistent with the Federal principle in our system of Government and is in other material respects defective.

2. That the provisions of the British North America Act of 1867 in relation to the Constitution of the Senate be repealed.

3. That the Senate of Canada shall consist of the Senators for life appointed for life by the Crown before and such as may from time to time be elected by the Legislative Assemblies of the different Provinces of Canada under the provisions of the Constitution as amended.

4. That the Province of Ontario shall be represented by twelve Senators so elected. The Province of Quebec, by twelve Senators; the Province of New Brunswick, by five Senators; the Province of Nova Scotia, by five Senators; the Province of Prince Edward Island, by two Senators; the Province of Manitoba by two Senators; the Province of British Columbia, by two Senators; the Province of Newfoundland when admitted into the union, by two Senators, and any new Province which may be formed from any portion of the Territories of Canada by such a number of Senators as may be fixed by the terms of Union in an Act of the Parliament of Canada, as provided by the British North America Act, 1871, or by such other terms of Union as may at the time be authorized by the Constitution.

5. That the Members of the Senate shall be elected by the Legislative Assemblies of their respective Provinces for a period of eight years from the first day of July next after their election, and until the day prior to the return of the Writ of a successor.

6. That in the Province of Ontario the Legislative Assembly shall elect three Senators every alternate year.

7. That in the Province of Quebec the Legislative Assembly shall elect three Senators every alternate year.

8. That in the Province of New Brunswick the Legislative Assembly shall upon its first election elect three Senators, and the fourth year thereafter two Senators, and in like manner it shall elect three Senators and two Senators each alternate four years.

9. That in the Province of Nova Scotia the Legislative Assembly shall upon its first election, elect three Senators, and the fourth year thereafter two Senators, and in like manner it shall elect three Senators and two Senators each alternate four years.

10. That the Legislative Assemblies of Prince Edward Island, Manitoba, British Columbia and such other Provinces which may hereafter be included in the Union and which may by the constitution be entitled to elect two Senators, shall each elect one Senator for their respective Provinces every fourth year.

11. That in the Election of Senators by the Legislative Assemblies each Member present shall have but one vote irrespective of the number of Senators to be elected.

12. That the qualification of a Senator shall be as follows:

(1.) He shall be of the full age of thirty years.

(2.) He shall be a natural born subject of Her Majesty, or a naturalized subject for not less than five years prior to his election.

(3.) He shall be a resident of the Province for not less than three years immediately preceding his election.

(4.) He shall be legally or equitably seized as of Freehold for his own use and benefit of Lands or Tenements held in free and common socage, or seized or possessed for his own use and benefit of Lands or Tenements held in *Franc-Alleu* or *en Roture*, within the Province for which he is appointed, of the value of Four Thousand Dollars, over and above all Rents, Dues, Debts, Charges, Mortgages and Incumbrances due or payable out of or charged on, or affecting the same, less the value of his personal property.

13. That no Member of the Legislative Council or of the Legislative Assembly of any Province shall be eligible for election as Senator.

14. That no person shall be eligible for election to the Senate who is a public defaulter, or who has been convicted of felony or any infamous crime.

15. That the seat of a Senator, whether appointed by the Crown or elected by the Legislative Assembly shall become vacant in any of the following cases:—

(1.) If he fails to give attendance in the Senate for two successive Sessions of Parliament.

(2.) If he ceases to be a resident of the Province for which he is elected.

(3.) If he ceases to have the necessary property qualification.

(4.) If he becomes a subject or a citizen of any foreign state.

(5.) If he is attainted of Treason or adjudged guilty of Felony, or of any infamous crime.

(6.) If he accepts any office or employment (not being the office of a Minister of the Crown), the acceptance of which would, if he were a Member of the House of Commons, vacate his seat as such member.

16. The Senate shall have the same power to expel unworthy members which by the Law of Parliament pertains to the House of Commons.

17. That a Senator shall not vacate his seat by accepting the office of Minister of the Crown.
18. That each general election of the House of Commons shall make a new Parliament.
19. That the Senate shall elect one of their number at the beginning of each Parliament as Speaker of the Senate, who shall hold office until the end of the Parliament unless the office becomes vacant by the expiration of the term of his Election, by death, resignation or otherwise, in which case the Senate shall elect another of its members to the office of Speaker.
20. That in case a vacancy before the expiration of the term for which a Senator has been elected, has taken place, a new Senator shall be elected for the remainder of the unexpired term.
21. That if a vacancy occurs not more than six months before the expiration of a term no Election shall be made for the remainder of that term.
22. That a Senator shall be eligible for re-election to take effect upon the expiration of his term.
23. That if any question arises respecting the qualification of a Senator or if a vacancy occurs in the Senate, the same shall be determined by the Senate.
24. Until the Parliament of Canada otherwise provides the presence of at least Ten Senators including the Speaker shall be necessary to constitute a meeting of the Senate for the exercise of its powers.
25. That questions arising in the Senate shall be decided by a majority of voices and the Speaker shall not vote unless the voices are equal.
26. That in case of the absence of the Speaker of the Senate for forty-eight consecutive hours the Senate may elect another of its members to act as Speaker, and the Member so elected shall, during the continuance of such absence of the Speaker, have and execute all the powers, privileges and duties of Speaker.
27. That the Governor General shall issue His writ to the Lieutenant Governor of each Province for the election of Senators in cases of vacancies, whether the vacancies are created by the expiration of a term or otherwise, the writ shall issue at such time that the election may be held during the Session of the Legislative Assembly next preceding the date of the expiration of the term, and when the vacancy is created by any of the causes hereinbefore stated the writ shall issue as soon as may be after the creation of the vacancy and the said writ shall be transmitted to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province in which the vacancy has occurred, and in all cases the elections shall be held during the then Session of the Legislative Assembly, if the Legislative Assembly is in Session at the date of the receipt of the writ, and if the Legislative Assembly be not in session at the time, then during the next ensuing Session thereof, and the writ or writs shall be returned to the Governor General days after the election.

Mr. *Cimon*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for

1st. Copies of all documents relating to the appointments of J. A. Hamel, Esquire, of Malbaie, Physician, to vaccinate the Indians on the North Shore of the River St. Lawrence for the years 1868 and 1869; of the instructions furnished to him and of the reports made by him during the said two years on the subject.

2nd. A statement shewing the number of Indians vaccinated by the said J. A. Hamel during the said two years; the accounts furnished by the said J. A. Hamel and the amount of money paid to him by the Government for the services rendered;

3rd. Copies of all communications sent to the Government by the Reverend Father *Arnault* and others, during the said years 1868 and 1869 in relation to the said J. A. Hamel.

Mr. *Bourassa*—In Committee of the Whole to take into consideration the report of the Special Committee on the Bill respecting Insolvency,—the following resolution:—

“That it is unjust that persons, who, not being held to be traders, cannot take advantage of the provisions of the Act respecting Insolvency, and obtain a discharge from their debts and liabilities, and that they should be, by virtue of the said Act, liable to lose the claims they may have against Insolvents who obtain their discharge under its operation;— and that, in consequence, it is expedient to enact in the ‘Bill (No. 29) concerning Insolvency,’ now before The House, that debts due by an Insolvent, to persons excepted from the operation of the said Act, shall not be included in the discharge granted to such Insolvent, but that the latter shall remain, notwithstanding such discharge, responsible for the payment in full of such debt which has not been paid to the said persons not held to be traders, out of the dividends declared on the property of the Insolvent by virtue of the said Bill.”

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 2ND MARCH, 1875.

Seventeen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the fifth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz:—Of the National Insurance Company, for incorporation,—Of the Canada Land Investment Guarantee Company, for incorporation,—Of the Northern Railway Company of Canada, for the passing of an Act to re-arrange its capital account, to change its gauge, and for consolidation of its loan capital and its statutory enactments; and for other purposes,—Of the Montreal, Chambly and Sorel Railway Company; for the passing of an Act empowering them to change their name to that of the Montreal, Portland and Boston Railway Company; and also for an extension of powers,—Of the Metropolitan Insurance Company of Canada, for incorporation,—Of the North-Western Manufacturing Company, for incorporation,—Of the Dominion Railways Equipment Company, for incorporation,—and of the Canada Guarantee Company, for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation.

On the Petition of *William P. West* and others, for the passing of an Act incorporating them as a Company for the purpose of running a Steamer or Steamers to and from Ports in Nova Scotia, the Islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon, and Newfoundland, and elsewhere, the Committee find that no notice was given, the reasons assigned are such as to justify the suspension of the Rule.

The Committee have also examined the Petition of The Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company, for an Act to extend the time limited for the completion of the Canal; to authorize them to receive gifts or grants of lands or monies from States, Governments, Corporations, or individuals; or in exchange for stock in said Company, to purchase or acquire lands and to sell and convey the same; to open offices in New York, Chicago and elsewhere, and for other purposes. The Committee find that notice was only given in the *Canada Gazette*, they therefore recommend a suspension of the Rule.

Mr. *Cockburn* introduced a Bill (No. 56) to consolidate the enactments relating to the Northern Railway Company of Canada, and to provide for the consolidation of the Loan Capital of the Company.—Second reading to-morrow.—

Mr. Jones (Halifax) introduced a Bill (No. 57) to incorporate the *Anglo-French Steamship Company*.—Second reading to-morrow.—

Mr. Jetté introduced a Bill (No. 58) to incorporate "The Canada Land Investment Guarantee Company [Limited]."—Second reading to-morrow.—

Also,—A Bill [No. 59] to incorporate "The Metropolitan Insurance Company of Canada."—Second reading to-morrow.—

And also,—a Bill [No. 60] to further amend the Act 14 and 15 *Vict.*, Cap. 36, incorporating "The Canada Guarantee Company."—Second reading to-morrow.—

Mr. Desjardins introduced a Bill [No. 61] to incorporate the National Insurance Company.—Second reading to-morrow.—

On motion of Mr. Masson, Messrs. Baby and Langlois were added to the Select Committee to which was referred the Bill [No. 29] respecting Insolvency.

Mr. Fournier introduced a Bill [No. 62] further to amend "An Act respecting the administration of Justice, and for the establishment of a Police Force in the North-West Territories."—Second reading to-morrow.—

On motion of Mr. Fournier, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, on Thursday next, to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting salaries to be paid to the Chief Justice and Judges mentioned in the Bill [No. 31] to establish a Supreme Court, and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada.

On motion of Mr. Fournier, The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider certain proposed Resolutions, on the subject of the salaries of the County Court Judges of the Province of Nova Scotia.

(In Committee.)

The following resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide that the salaries of the County Court Judges of the Province of Nova Scotia shall be as follows, namely:—

To seven County Court Judges, each, at \$2,000, and that a sum not exceeding \$200 for actual travelling expenses may be allowed to any of the County Court Judges; except the County Judge for the City and County of Halifax, which shall be twenty-four hundred dollars.

2. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide that the said County Court Judges shall be subject, as regards increases, retiring allowances or annuities based upon their salaries above mentioned, as is provided in respect to County Court Judges in either of the Provinces of Ontario, New Brunswick or Prince Edward Island, by the provisions of the 37th *Vic.*, ch. 4.

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received, to-morrow.—

On motion of Mr. Macdonald (Glengarry), The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, on Thursday next, to consider certain proposed Resolutions for the purpose of amending the Act 31st *Vict.*, cap. 10, for the regulation of the Postal Service.

On motion of Mr. Fournier, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, on Thursday next, to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting the salaries proposed to be paid to the Officers mentioned in Bill (No. 35) respecting Penitentiaries, and the inspection thereof; and for other purposes.

The Bill (No. 2) to regulate the construction and maintenance of Marine Electric Telegraphs, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS—CHARGEABLE TO CAPITAL.

RAILWAYS.

69.	Intercolonial Railway (under Commissioner).....	\$ 915,000 00
70.	do Extension into Halifax.....	139,000 00
71.	do Increased accommodation at St. John, N. B.....	200,000 00

CANALS.

For works of construction, viz:

73.	Lachine Canal.....	1,600,000 00
74.	St. Lawrence Canals.....	1,000,000 00
75.	Welland Canal.....	2,000,000 00
76.	Ste. Anne's Lock.....	200,000 00
77.	Carillon and Chute à Blondeau.....	450,000 00
78.	Grenville Canal.....	400,000 00
79.	Rideau Canal.....	8,000 00
80.	Lock at Culbute Rapids.....	75,000 00
81.	Chambly Canal.....	10,000 00
82.	St. Peter's Canal.....	75,000 00
83.	Bay Verte Canal.....	1,000,000 00
84.	Miscellaneous work on Canals.....	20,000 00
		<hr/> 6,838,000 00

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, OTTAWA.

85	{ Library.....	80,000 00
	{ Tower.....	9,000 00
	{ Grounds.....	90,000 00
	{ Retaining walls, gates, footpaths, painting, &c.....	14,000 00
	{ Workshops.....	5,000 00
	{ Extension, West Block.....	100,000 00
	{ Improvement of Ventilation Parliament Building.....	7,125 00
	{ Fire walls, Water Service, Attics, and other Works inside buildings.....	70,000 00
		<hr/> 375,125

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

WEDNESDAY, 3RD MARCH, 1875.

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS—CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

IMPROVEMENT OF NAVIGABLE RIVERS.

86	{ East River of Picton.....	10,000 00
	{ River St. John, N. B.....	6,000 00
	{ St. Lawrence, removal of chains and anchors.....	15,000 00
	{ Richelieu River, improvement of channel between St. Ours and Chambly Canal.....	10,000 00
	{ Fraser River, removal of rocks.....	2,000 00
	{ Improvement of Rivers.....	10,000 00
	{ Miramichi S. W. Branch, improving channel above Railway Bridge.....	3,000 00
		<hr/> 56,000 00

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

87.	Lake Superior and Red River Route.....	100,000 00
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PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Ontario.

88	{ Hamilton, Post Office.....	2,000 00
	{ Immigration Station.....	2,500 00
	{ Toronto, Custom House.....	78,000 00
	{ Examining Warehouse.....	150,000 00
	{ Ottawa, Post Office and ground.....	80,000 00
	{ Kingston, Military School.....	50,000 00
	{ Repairing fortifications.....	5,000 00
	{ Immigration Station.....	2,500 00
		<hr/> 370,000 00

Quebec.

89 {	Grosse Isle, Quarantine Station.....	17,000 00	
	Lévis, Immigrant Station.....	5,000 00	
	Marine Hospital	5,000 00	
	Repairing fortifications	12,000 00	
	Montreal, Post Office	93,000 00	
	Immigration Depot	1,500 00	
	Examining Warehouse	100,000 00	
		<hr/>	233,500 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, at the next sitting of The House, this day.
The House then adjourned at 12:45 a.m.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. *Fournier*—On Thursday next—In Committee of the Whole, the following resolutions:—

1. That it is expedient to provide,—

That the annual salaries of the Chief Justice and Judges mentioned in the Bill No. 31, to establish a Supreme Court and a Court of Exchequer, for the Dominion of Canada, be fixed at the rates following, that is to say:

The Chief Justice of the said Courts	\$7,000
The Puisné Judges of the said Courts	\$6,000

and that such salaries shall be paid and payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada, after paying and reserving sufficient to pay all such sums as have been heretofore charged thereon, but in preference to all payments which be hereafter charged thereon.

2. That in case any Chief Justice or Judge of the said Courts has continued in the office for fifteen years or upwards, or in the said office and that of one or more of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity or of the Court of Vice-Admiralty in any of the Provinces of the Dominion, for periods amounting together to fifteen years or upwards, or becomes afflicted with some permanent infirmity, disabling him from the due execution of his office, then, in case such Chief Justice or Judge resigns his office, Her Majesty may, by letters patent under the Great Seal of Canada, reciting such period of office or such permanent infirmity, grant unto such Chief Justice or Judge an annuity equal to two-thirds of the salary annexed to the office he held at the time of his resignation, to commence immediately after his resignation, and to continue thenceforth during his natural life, and to be payable by monthly instalments, and *pro rata* for any period less than a year, during such continuance, out of any unappropriated moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

3. That the Registrar of the said Courts shall be paid an annual salary at the rate of \$: and a *precis* writer to act as Secretary to the Chief Justice and Judges of the said Courts shall be paid a salary to be determined by the Governor in Council.

4. That all fees payable to the said Registrar, shall be paid by means of stamps, which shall be issued for that purpose by the Minister of Inland Revenue, who shall regulate the sale thereof, and that the proceeds of the sale of such stamps shall be paid into the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

5. That Sheriffs and Coroners executing the process or orders of either of the said Courts shall receive for their own use such fees as the Judges of the said Courts shall, by general order, fix and determine.

Mr. *Geoffrion*—On Thursday next—That the House do then go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution:—That it is expedient to amend the Act chapter forty-six of the Consolidated Statutes of the late Province of Canada, entitled: “*An Act respecting the Culling and Measuring of Lumber*”—and for that purpose:

1. To repeal sections 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 24, 30, 31, 32, 33, 35, and 40 respecting the Supervisor, Deputy Supervisors and Cullers, their appointment, salaries and duties and the several qualities of Lumber, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.

2. To vest the power of appointing Deputy Supervisors and of making regulations for the licensing of Cullers in the Governor in Council.

3. To give the Governor in Council power from time to time to raise or lower the Tariff of fees for services under the said Act so as to defray as nearly as possible the expenses of the Supervisor's office and the payment of salaries to the Supervisor, Deputy Supervisors and Cullers.

Mr. *Costigan*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all instructions from the Department of Marine and Fisheries to the several Fishery Officers on the Restigouche River, copies of instructions from Fish Warden *Mowat* to the different Officers under him on that River and its tributaries, and copies of reports or other documents bearing upon the shooting of *Augustus Violette*, Jun., by one of the said Fishery Officers in the month of August last.

Mr. *Cimon*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether (in view of the fact that the Judges of the Superior Court for the Districts of Saguenay and Gaspé receive a smaller salary than the Judges of the same Court appointed for the other Districts, and that the reason for the difference in the said salaries no longer exists) it is the intention of the Government to consider the question, and grant to the Judges for Saguenay and Gaspé the same salary as is paid to the Judges of the other rural Districts of Quebec?

Mr. *Laflamme*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying him to cause to be laid before this House a copy of the Bill passed in the last Session of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, intituled "An Act to divide in three parts the Registry Division of Montreal."

Mr. *Blake*—In amendment to Mr. *Costigan's* motion for an Address on the New Brunswick School question—The following resolution:

That prior to the Union New Brunswick had sole and exclusive control over its educational system;
That under the Union Act, as construed by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, such control was reserved to and has ever since been retained by New Brunswick;
That New Brunswick has not signified any willingness that the Union Act should be amended in this particular;

That any encroachment made against the will of New Brunswick on the powers so reserved would, by diminishing the security now enjoyed by each Province for the maintenance of its Provincial Rights, tend to subvert the constitution;

That, whatever may be the opinions of members of this House on the educational policy of any Province, this House deems it inexpedient to address the Crown in favor of any amendment which would, against the will of the Province, encroach on the powers reserved to it in respect to education.

Mr. *MacDonnell* (Inverness)—That the following clause be added to the Bill of the Honorable Mr *Fournier*, to amend the Law relating to Controverted Elections:—

In every case of an Election Petition presented under the Controverted Elections Act, 1873, in which twelve months shall have elapsed since the said Petition was presented and shall then be untried, the Respondent may require, and the Petitioner within days after demand, shall give new security in accordance with the terms of the Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874, for the payment of all costs, charges and expenses that may become payable by the Petitioner in respect of said Petition, provided that such demand shall not affect any other provision in this Act contained.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—On Thursday next—That The House do on Friday next go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions:—

That it is expedient to amend the Act 37 *Vict.*, cap. 34 (providing for the appointment of Harbor Masters at certain Ports), and to provide:—

1. That so much of the eighth section or any other part of the said Act as prescribes the fees payable for vessels entering Harbors to which the Act applies or exempts vessels engaged in trading between Ports and places in the Dominion, or in the fishing trade, shall be repealed.

2. That the following shall be the fees to be paid for all vessels entering a port or harbor and discharging or taking in cargo, ballast, stores or wood or water, viz.:—

	\$	cts.
Vessels of 50 tons register or under.....	50	
" over 50 tons and not over 100 tons register.....	1	00
" " 100 " " 200 "	1	50
" " 200 " " 300 "	2	00
" " 300 " " 400 "	2	50
" " 400 " " 500 "	3	00
" " 500 " " 700 "	4	00
" " 700	5	00

3. That such fees shall be payable not more than twice in each calendar year, commencing 1st January, at each port entered, and that no clearance shall be granted to any vessel until the fees payable for the same are paid.

4. That all vessels with cargo, and steamers passing through or arriving at the Port of Sorel, St. Johns, or any inland Port, at which a Harbour Master is appointed under the said Act, shall be liable to pay such fees not more than twice in any calendar year.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—On Friday next—That the House do go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions:—

That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*, Cap. 64, respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed mariners, and to provide that the word "year" in the said Act shall mean the calendar year, commencing on the 1st January, and that vessels now liable to the payment of the duty imposed by the said Act twice in any one year shall hereafter be liable to pay the same three times in any one year under like conditions.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—On Friday next—BILL to repeal the Act of the Legislature of Prince Edward Island, 21 *Vict.*, Cap. 11, intituled "An Act to provide for the collection in this Island of the Cape Race Light Toll."

Mr. *Forbes*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intend establishing a Marine Hospital at Liverpool, Nova Scotia during the present Summer; and if not, when?

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 3RD MARCH, 1875.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery had laid upon the Table, in obedience to the Order of The House of Thursday, the 18th ult., a statement shewing:—

1st. The vacancies that have occurred in this House since the last General Election; the date when each vacancy took place; and when the same was notified to Mr. Speaker.

2nd. The date of the Warrant of Mr. Speaker for a new Writ in each case.

3rd. The date of the issue of the Writ in each case.

4th. The date of the transmission of the Writ to the Returning Officer in each case.

And also a similar statement respecting the vacancies occurring during two last Parliaments.

Twenty-nine Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *S. G. Best* and others, of the District of Muskoka; praying that any measure brought before Parliament having for its object the amalgamation of the Northern Extension Railways Company with the Northern Railway Company, may be granted.

Of *François Xavier Galarneau*, farmer, of the Parish of L'Assomption, and *Magloire Cléophas Galarneau*, Merchant, of the City of Montreal; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to construct a bridge across the River L'Assomption at "Le Portage" and to collect tolls thereon.

Of the Niagara District Savings Bank; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to amalgamate with the Imperial Bank of Canada.

Of the Imperial Bank of Canada; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to amalgamate with the Niagara District Bank.

Of *George Simms* and others, of the Township of Muskoka, District of Muskoka; of *W. T. Dyer* and others, of Burleigh, Chandos and Anstruther, County of Peterborough; of *William Dumble* and others, of Minden, County of Haliburton; of *Andrew Williamson, Jr.*, and others, of the Township of Seneca, County of Haldimand; of *Thomas B. Coupland* and others, of Richmond Hill, County of York, Ontario; of *T. Cole* and others, of Mariposa, County of Victoria; of *Hugh McArthur* and others, of Osgoode, of *James Caldwell* and others, of Nepean, and of *J. C. Patterson* and others, of Rochesterville, County of Carleton; of *Leonard*

Burnette and others, of the Township of Reach, County of Ontario; of the Municipal Council of the Village of Embro; of *John Dickson* and others, of Wickham and vicinity, County of Huron; of *Peter McDonald* and others, of the Township of Huron, and of the Reverend *John P. Curran*, and others of Walkerton, County of Bruce; of *Philo White* and others, of Rawdon, and other places, Counties of Hastings and Northumberland; of the Reverend *A. N. Fortin* and others, of the Town of Sorel; of *E. Barker* and others, of Fergus, County of Wellington; and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Saugen; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Motion being made that the Petition of Messrs. *W. Higginbotham & Co.* and others; praying that the depth of water in the enlarged Welland Canal may be increased, so that the largest class of vessels employed on the Upper Lakes may pass freely downward to Lake Ontario, be now read and received.

Mr. Speaker decided.—“That as the granting the prayer of this Petition would involve the expenditure of Public money, it cannot be received.”

Mr. *Schultz* introduced a Bill (No. 63) to incorporate the North Western Manufacturing Company.—Second Reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Jetté* introduced a Bill (No. 64) for granting further powers to the Montreal, Chambly and Sorel Railway Company, and to change its name.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Domville* moved, that the Petition of Messrs. *John F. Fraser & Co.*, presented this day, be now read and received, and the Rules in relation thereto, suspended.

And objection having been taken to this motion on the ground, that no notice had been given,—Mr. Speaker ruled the said motion out of Order.

Mr. *Cartwright* laid before The House,—Statement of the Estate of the Bank of Upper Canada, on the 31st January, 1875.

Also,—Statement of the Receipts and Payments of the Dominion of Canada, from 1st July, 1874, to the 20th February, 1875.

Mr. *Cartwright* introduced a Bill (No. 65) to amend the Act respecting the Public Debt, and the raising of Loans, authorized by Parliament.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Moss* introduced a Bill (No. 66) to legalize and confirm certain agreements made between the Niagara Falls International Bridge Company, the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company, and the Great Western Railway Company.—Second reading on Friday next.

Mr. *Cartwright* introduced a Bill (No. 67) to consolidate and amend the several Acts respecting Insurance, in so far as regards Fire and Inland Marine business.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Delorme*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for copies of Returns made by the different Railway Companies of their by-laws, and especially for the rules and regulations for the management of the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada, by which their rates for passengers and traffic have been increased during the last six weeks.

On motion of Mr. *Norris*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for copies of all Estimates and Reports of the Engineers in charge of the Welland Canal; shewing the cost of removing the rock bottom at *Raney's Bend*, with a view to obtaining Lake Erie level.

Mr. *Wilkes* moved, that a Select Committee be appointed, composed of Messrs. *Wilkes, Cartwright, Holton, Thibaudeau, Killam, McGregor, Cameron* (Cardwell), *Masson*, and *De Veber*, to report on the question of the Dominion Note circulation generally; and as to whether the continuance of such currency in circulation is in the public interest; said Committee to have power to send for persons, papers and records.

And a Debate arising thereon;—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* [*Lambton*], adjourned.

[*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.*]

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to the *Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce*, viz:—

No. 39. To amend the several Acts incorporating, or relating to the *Richelieu Company*, and to change its corporate name.

No. 47. To amend the Act incorporating the *Canadian Navigation Company*.

The House resumed the further consideration of Mr. *Mills'* proposed motion on Wednesday, the 17th ult., that an Address be voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence between the Government of Canada and the Government of Great Britain, in reference to the monetary compensation to be paid by the United States to Canada, under the Treaty of Washington, for the liberty of fishing in Canadian waters; also for any correspondence on the same subject between the Governments of Great Britain and the United States, communicated to his Excellency, for the information of the Canadian Government.

And a Debate arising thereon, the said motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Bill (No. 6) to amend the General Railway Acts, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Bill (No. 44) to amend the Act respecting Trade Marks and Industrial Designs, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Mr. Cartwright, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, on Friday next, to consider the following Resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act for the Issue of Dominion Notes by enacting that the Receiver General shall hold in specie the excess above \$12,000,000.

2. *Resolved*, That the Receiver General shall hold 50 per cent of the amount between \$9,000,000 and \$12,000,000 in Specie.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

New Brunswick.

90 {	St. John, Post Office.....	65,000 00	
	Custom House.....	2,000 00	
	Miramichi or Middle Island, Quarantine Station.....	800 00	
			67,800 00

Nova Scotia.

91 {	Pictou, Custom House	16,000 00	
	Halifax, Quarantine Station.....	3,000 00	
	Sydney do	3,000 00	
	Yarmouth do	3,000 00	
	Sydney, Marine Hospital.....	11,000 00	
	Yarmouth do	5,000 00	
			41,000 00

Prince Edward Island.

92.	Souris Marine Hospital.....	2,000 00
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Manitoba.

93. {	Custom House, Post Office, etc.....	50,000 00	
	Immigrant Depot.....	2,000 00	
			52,000 00

British Columbia.

94.	Public Buildings	15,000 00
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PENITENTIARIES.

95. {	General Penitentiary for the Maritime Provinces.....	100,000 00	
	St. Vincent de Paul.....	25,000 00	
	Manitoba Penitentiary.....	119,000 00	
	British Columbia Penitentiary.....	100,000 00	
	Penitentiaries generally, additions and repairs.....	20,000 00	
			364,000 00

RENTS, REPAIRS, &c.

96. {	Rents, repairs, furniture and heating, &c.....	170,000 00	
	Heating Public Buildings.....	40,000 00	
	Removal of snow, Public Buildings, Ottawa.....	3,500 00	
	Gas, Public Buildings, Ottawa.....	12,000 00	
	Allowance for fuel and light, Rideau Hall.....	5,000 00	
			230,500 00

HARBOURS AND BREAKWATERS.

Ontario.

27.	{	Kingston	Harbour, Lake Ontario.....	6,000 00	
		Cobourg	do do	35,000 00	
		Port Hope	do do	18,000 00	
		Port Stanley	do Lake Erie	7,000 00	
		Bayfield	do Lake Huron	34,000 00	
		Kincardine	do do	12,000 00	
		Owen Sound	do do	5,500 00	
		Port Darlington	do Lake Ontario.....	5,000 00	
		Port Burwell	do do	10,000 00	
		Chantry Island	do Lake Huron	106,000 00	
		Goderich	do do	150,000 00	
<hr/>					388,500 00

Quebec.

98.	{	Saguenay River Piers	2,000 00	
		Rivière du Loup (en haut).....	3,000 00	
			<hr/>	5,000 00

New Brunswick.

99.	{	Dipper Harbor.....	30,000 00	
		Point du Chêne.....	12,000 00	
		Richibucto Harbour.....	11,000 00	
		Shippegan Breakwater	10,000 00	
		St. John Harbour	120,000 00	
			<hr/>	183,000 00

Nova Scotia.

100.	{	Meteghan Cove.....	5,000 00	
		Liverpool.....	12,500 00	
		Jordan Bay.....	20,000 00	
		Oak Point.....	15,000 00	
		Pictou Landing.....	25,000 00	
		Trout Cove.....	4,000 00	
		Cow Bay, C. B.....	50,000 00	
		Ingonish South, C. B.....	10,000 00	
		Mabou Harbor, C. B.....	10,000 00	
<hr/>				151,500 00

Prince Edward Island.

101.	{	New London	1,000 00	
	{	Tignish	7,250 00	
			<hr/>	8,250 00

TELEGRAPH LINES.

102.	Subsidy to Western Union Telegraph Company, British Columbia.....	4,000 00
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SLIDES AND BOOMS.

103.	{	River Trent District.....	1,200 00	
		Ottawa River District.....	5,000 00	
		Rivière des Prairies.....	4,000 00	
		St. Maurice River District.....	22,000 00	
			<hr/>	32,200 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

104.	Dredge Vessels.....	44,000 00	
105.	Dredging.....	110,500 00	
106.	Miscellaneous works not otherwise provided for.....	10,000 00	
107.	Surveys and Inspections.....	45,000 00	
108.	Arbitrations and Awards.....	10,000 00	
		<hr/>	219,500 00

MISCELLANEOUS—(Continued.)

	{ Payments of annuities under Treaty No. 3	15,250 00
	do do No. 4	24,500 00
154.	{ Agricultural implements do No. 3	10,000 00
	do do No. 4	10,000 00
	{ Ammunition and Twine do No. 3	1,500 00
	do do No. 4	750 00
155.	Provisions for Indians assembled to receive annuities under above mentioned treaties.....	21,000 00
156.	Clothing and other items to chiefs under the above treaties.....	5,000 00
168.	{ Salaries and expenses of the Council for the Northwest Territories.....	} 33,800 00
	{ Miscellaneous expenses in the North-West, not otherwise provided for.....	
179.	{ Interecolonial and other Government Railways in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	1,358,000 00

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) laid before the House,—Articles of Agreement entered into between *Asa Belknap Foster* and Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, represented by the Minister of Public Works of Canada, for the construction and working of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway, bearing date the 27th February, 1875; accompanied by a copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable The Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General, in Council, on the 4th November, 1874, in relation thereto.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Stephenson*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—As to the *modus operandi* necessary to enable veterans entitled to pensions for military services rendered, to obtain such pensions from the Canadian Government.

Mr. *Schultz*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to recognize and pay the claims of the Hudson Bay Company for alleged losses incurred during the Red River Insurrection of 1869-70?

Mr. *McDougall*, (South Renfrew)—On Friday next—BILL entitled “An Act respecting the attendance of Voters at Elections of Members of the House of Commons.”

Mr. *Forbes*—On Friday next.—BILL entitled “An Act to amend the Act to make better provision for the Inspection of certain staple articles of Canadian Produce.”

Mr. *Perry*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for correspondence which may have taken place between the Government and the Local Government of Prince Edward Island with respect to the Land Purchase Act 1874.

Mr. *Greenway*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether, in view of the recent great reductions in Postage rates, it is the intention of the Government to increase the allowances to Postmasters?

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—On Friday next—That the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions:

1. That it is expedient so to amend the Act respecting certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships as to make it apply to ships over eighty tons register, and to ships going to sea on a voyage to any port or place out of Canada.

2. That it is expedient to make provision for the Examination of Masters and Mates of Inland and coasting ships, as regards ships of over eighty tons register, and voyages commenced after the first day of April 1876.

Mr. *Jetté*—On Friday next—BILL entitled “An Act making further provisions respecting the establishment and management of Building Societies in the Province of Quebec.”

Mr. *Jetté*—On Friday next—That the fee paid on the Bill entitled “An Act to incorporate the Montreal Steam Ferry Company,” introduced during the Session of 1874, and afterwards withdrawn, be refunded.

Mr. *Donville*—On Friday next—That the Petition of *J. T. Fraser* and Company, presented to this House on the 3rd March, be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts, and that the Petitioners be heard by themselves, their Counsel, agents and witnesses upon their petition, if they think fit.

Mr. *Donohue*—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to impose a discriminating Duty of Ten per cent. on Tea coming from the United States?

Mr. *Robitaille*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all papers, documents, letters and correspondence, having reference to the selection of the site for the construction of a Graving Dock in the Port of Quebec.

Mr. *Geoffrion*—On Friday next—BILL to compel persons delivering merchantable liquids in casks to mark on such casks the capacity thereof.

Mr. *Stirton*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether, in view of the large amount of Revenue collected by the several Government Officers in the Town of Guelph, it is the intention of the Government to take the necessary steps to procure the construction of a suitable building for the accommodation of said Officers?

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were posted this day for consideration by the Standing Committee on Lanking and Commerce, on or after *Wednesday 10th March*:

Bill (No. 39) To amend the several Acts incorporating or relating to the Richelieu Company, and to change its name.

Bill (No. 47) To amend the Act incorporating the Canadian Navigation Company.

No. 19.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 3rd MARCH, 1875.

2nd Session, 3rd Parliament, 38 Victoria,

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

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No. 20.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 4TH MARCH, 1875.

Six Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *R. E. Perry*, Warden of the County of Victoria, and others, and of *Angus Black* and others, of the District of Muskoka; severally praying that any measure brought before Parliament having for its object the amalgamation of the Northern Extension Railways Company with the Northern Railway Company, may be granted.

Of *Damon Rivers Averill*, of New Centreville, Oswego County, State of New York, U. S.; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the issue of Letters Patent to him for an invention consisting of certain improvements in Paints.

Of *Thomas McGreevy*, M. P., and others; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them as a Company for the purpose of constructing a Railway from Lake Nipissing to Quebec *via* Portneuf, under the name of the Quebec and Lake Huron Direct Railway.

Of *Ashley Hibbard* and others, Provisional Directors of the International Express Company; praying for certain Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *Joseph Bélanger* and others, of St. Roch, County of Quebec; of *C. J. Coulthard* and others, of the Township of Ekfrid, County of Middlesex; of *Joseph Carr* and others, of the Township of Elgin, of *William Wilson* and others, of the Township of Godmanchester, and of *James Johnston* and others, of the Townships of Godmanchester and Elgin, County of Huntingdon; of *John Irvine* and others, of the Parish of St. Sauveur, County of Terrebonne; of the Reverend *John Irvine* and others, of Mille Isles, County of Argenteuil; of *W. Spencer Scott* and others, of West Sheffield, of *J. Jamieson* and others, of Ely, of *David Hardie* and others, of North Ely, of *Joseph Copping* and others, of South Ely, and of *John McIntosh* and others, of the Township of Granby, County of Sheffield; and of the Municipal Council of the Village of Port Dalhousie; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Vail presented,—Return to Address of the 18th ult., for a Return of all applications made by persons who served in the Militia Volunteer Force in Manitoba, and who have been invalided or discharged before the termination of enlistment, for grants of land in that Province.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland) introduced a Bill (No. 68) to amend "The Immigration Act of 1872."—
Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Blain* introduced a Bill (No. 69) to incorporate the Dominion Railways Equipment Company.—
Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Geoffrion*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, on Tuesday next, to consider certain proposed Resolutions amending the Act, Chapter 46, of the Consolidated Statutes of the late Province of Canada, intituled: "An Act respecting the culling and measuring of lumber."

On motion of Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland), The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole to-morrow to consider certain proposed Resolutions for the purpose of amending the Act 37 *Vict.*, Cap. 34, providing for the appointment of Harbor Masters at certain Ports.

G. A. M. *Globensky*, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Two Mountains, having presented a Duplicate of the Indenture of his Return, and previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.

On motion of Mr. *MacKenzie* (Lambton), it was *Resolved*, That in admitting G. A. M. *Globensky*, Esq., elected to represent the Electoral District of Two Mountains, to take his seat on the production of the Duplicate Indenture only, and without the Return of the Indenture of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, and the Certificate of the latter Officer, this House still recommends a strict adherence to the practice of requiring the production of the usual Certificate.

The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolutions for the purpose of amending the Act 31 *Vict.*, Cap. 10, for the regulation of the Postal Service.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*, Cap. 10, for the regulation of the Postal Service.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to make the following amendments to the several sections of the said Act, relating to the rates and mode of payment of postage; that is to say: 1. The 19th section shall be so amended as to read as follows:—

"19. On all letters transmitted by post for any distance within Canada, except in cases herein otherwise specially provided for, there shall be charged and paid one uniform rate of *three cents* per half ounce weight, any fraction of a half-ounce being chargeable as a half-ounce; and such postage stamp or stamps at the time of posting the letter, otherwise such letter shall not be forwarded by post, except that letters addressed to any place in Canada on which one full rate of three cents has been so prepaid, shall be forwarded to their destination charged with double the amount of postage thereon not prepaid, which shall be collected on delivery."

2. The 20th section shall be so amended as to read as follows:—

20. On letters not transmitted through the mails, but posted and delivered at the same Post Office commonly known as local or drop letters, the rate shall be *one cent per half ounce in weight*, to be in all cases prepaid by postage stamps affixed to such letters.

Resolution 3 having been proposed, as follows:—

3. *Resolved*, That the 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th sections shall be repealed, and the following sections substituted for them:—

"22. The rate of postage on newspapers and periodical publication printed and published in Canada, and issued not less frequently than once a month from a known office of publication or news agency, and addressed and posted by and from the same to regular subscribers or news agents, shall be *one cent* for each pound weight or any fraction of a pound weight, to be prepaid by postage stamps or otherwise as the Postmaster General may from time to time direct: and such newspapers and periodicals shall be put up into packages and delivered into the post office, and the postage rate thereon prepaid by the sender thereof, under such regulations as the Postmaster-General may from time to time direct."

"23. Newspapers and periodicals weighing less than one ounce each may be posted singly at a postage rate of *half a cent* each, which must be in all cases prepaid by postage stamp affixed to each."

Mr. *Young* moved in amendment, that the following be substituted for the first Clause of the said Resolution "22nd."

"That newspapers and periodical publications printed and published, and issued not less frequently than once a month from a known office of publication or news agency, and addressed and posted by and from the same to regular subscribers or news agents, shall be carried through the mails free; and such newspapers and periodicals shall be put up in packages and delivered into the Postoffice under such regulations, as the Postmaster General may from time to time direct"; which was negatived on a division.

The said Resolution (3) was then adopted.

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

4. *Resolved*, That the 26th section shall be so amended, as to read as follows:—

"26. On all newspapers and periodicals posted in Canada, except in the cases hereinbefore expressly provided for, and on books, pamphlets, occasional publications, printed circulars, prices current, hand-bills,

book and newspaper manuscripts, printers' proof-sheets, whether corrected or not; maps, prints, drawings, engravings, lithographs, photographs when not on glass or in cases containing glass, sheet music, whether printed or written; documents, wholly or partly printed or written, such as deeds, insurance policies, militia and school returns, or other documents of like nature; packages of seeds, cuttings, bulbous roots, scions or grafts, patterns or samples of goods or merchandize, the rate of postage shall be *one cent* for each four ounces or fraction of four ounces."

"Provided that no letter or other communication intended to serve the purpose of a letter be sent or enclosed in any such newspaper or other package or thing mentioned in this or the next preceding section, and that the same be sent in covers open at the ends or sides, or otherwise so put up as to admit of inspection by the officers of the Post Office to ensure compliance with this provision, and the postage rate shall be prepaid by postage stamp or stamped post bands or wrappers, in all cases when any such articles as are mentioned in this section are posted in Canada."

5. *Resolved*, That the 29th section shall be amended by adding at the end thereof the following provisions:—

"And when any letter or other mailable matter is posted in Canada without prepayment, or insufficiently prepaid, in any case in which prepayment is by this Act made obligatory, the Postmaster General may detain the same, and return it, when practicable, to the sender."

6. *Resolved*, That the 40th section shall be amended by substituting "*three cents*" for "*five cents*," as the additional postage to be charged on dead letters to defray the costs of returning the same.

7. *Resolved*, That the 41th section shall be amended by striking out the provision that the expense of carrying United States mails over any portion of Canada, shall be paid by the United States.

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the said amendments and such other of the amendments proposed in the Bill No. 11, now before this House, as may be adopted by it, be incorporated with the said Act, 31 *Vict.*, cap. 10, so as to consolidate the Statute Law regulating the Postal Service.

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 38) to amend the Act therein mentioned respecting Banks and Banking, was read the second time, and considered in Committee of the Whole. Progress having been reported, the Committee obtained leave to sit again, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 30) to amend the Act 36 *Vict.*, Cap 48, relating to the inspection of Gas, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 18) to amend the Acts respecting Controverted Elections, was considered in Committee of Whole, amended, reported, and amendments to be taken into consideration, to-morrow. The Bill to be reprinted, as amended.

The House resumed the further consideration of Resolution 111 and remaining Resolutions, as reported from the Committee of Supply, on Friday, the 19th ult.

Resolutions 111 to 127, inclusive, being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

The consideration of Resolution 128 was postponed.

Resolutions 129 to 131, inclusive, being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

FRIDAY, 5TH MARCH, 1875,

Resolutions 132 to 148, inclusive, being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Monday, the 22nd ult., were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follows:—

INDIANS:

149.	For Indians, Quebec	\$2,200 00,
150.	Purchase of blankets for aged and infirm Indians of Ontario and Quebec.....	1,600 00
151.	Indians, Nova Scotia.....	4,500 00
152.	Indians, New Brunswick.....	4,500 00
153. {	Payment of annuities under Treaty No. 1.....	16,870 00
	do do No. 2.....	4,405 00
	Agricultural implements and farming stock to be furnished Indians under Treaties 1 and 2.....	10,000 00
157.	Probable expense in connection with Treaties in the North-West.....	40,000 00
158.	Salaries and Office Expenses.....	16,750 00
159.	Probable expenses in connection with Indians in British Columbia.....	25,000 00
160.	Probable expenses in connection with Indians in Prince Edward Island,	2,000 00
161.	Miscellaneous expenditure	3,000 00

BOUNDARY SURVEY.

162.	To provide for surveys of Boundary between British Columbia and the United States.....	\$100,000 00
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MISCELLANEOUS.

163.	Canada "Gazette"	3,900 00
164.	Miscellaneous Printing.....	5,000 00
165.	Expenses connected with the noon gun at Ottawa	400 00
166.	Unforeseen Expenses: expenditure thereof to be under Order in Council and a detailed statement to be laid before Parliament during the first fifteen days of the next session.....	50,000 00
167.	Commutation in lieu of remission of duties on articles imported for the use of the Army and Navy.....	12,000 00

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on Tuesday, the 23rd ult., were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follows:—

COLLECTION OF REVENUES.

Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the several Ports:—		
169.	In Province of Ontario.....	223,476 00
	do Quebec	209,231 00
	do New Brunswick	92,986 00
	do Nova Scotia.....	104,513 25
	do Manitoba and Northwest Territories.....	11,450 00
	do British Columbia.....	21,364 00
	do Prince Edward Island	22,500 00
	Salaries and Travelling Expenses of Inspectors of Ports.....	11,000 00
	Contingencies of Head Office covering Printing, Stationery, Advertising, Telegraphing, &c., for the several Ports of Entry.....	15,000 00
	To cover Appointments, Promotions, &c.....	10,000 00
		<u>721,520 25</u>

EXCISE.

170.	Salaries of Officers and Inspectors of Excise	172,800 00
	Travelling Expenses, Rent, Fuel, Stationery, &c.....	45,000 00
	Preventive Service.....	4,000 00
	To provide for payment of additional Salary to special class of Excisemen	4,000 00
	To provide for additions to Outside Service.....	10,000 00
	To pay Collectors of Customs allowance on Duties collected by them...	1,700 00
		<u>237,500 00</u>

CULLING TIMBER.

QUEBEC OFFICE.

171.	1 Supervisor.....	2,000 00
	1 Deputy Supervisor and Bookkeeper	1,600 00
	1 Cashier	1,200 00
	2 Specification Clerks	1,900 00
	1 Messenger	400 00
	9	Specification Clerks, viz.,..... { 4 at \$600, 1 at \$500..... } { 2 at \$700, 2 at \$1,000..... } 6,300 00
	8 Months	
	Pay of Cullers.....	57,000 00
	Contingencies	5,000 00

MONTREAL AND SOREL OFFICES.

171.	2 Deputy Supervisors	800 00
	1 Bookkeeper	1,000 00
	Specification Clerks	
	Pay of Cullers	4,000 00
	Contingencies	300 00
		<u>81,500 00</u>

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, (EQUIPMENT.)

172. For Standards ordered in England, but not yet delivered..... \$25,000 00

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, (INSPECTION OF)

173. Salaries of Inspectors of Weights and Measures (will be recouped by fees) 60,000 00

INSPECTION OF STAPLES.

174. For the purchase and distribution of Standards of Flour, &c., and for other Expenditure under the Act..... 3,000 00

ADULTERATION OF FOOD.

175. To meet Expenses under the Act 36 Vic., chap. 49, (will be mainly recouped by fees)..... 10,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS.

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS.

176. Salaries and Contingencies of Canal Officers.....	35,170 00
177. Collection of Slide and Boom Dues.....	17,375 00
178. Repairs and working expenses of above.....	482,200 00
180. Interecolonial Railway, Quebec.....	250,000 00
181. Railway, Prince Edward Island.....	290,000 00
182. Telegraph Lines, British Columbia.....	33,000 00
183. Agents and Contingencies, do	4,000 00

POST OFFICE.

184. {	For Ontario and Quebec.....	1,198,000 00
	New Brunswick.....	146,000 00
	Nova Scotia.....	187,500 00
	Manitoba.....	26,000 00
	British Columbia.....	80,000 00
	Prince Edward Island.....	52,000 00

DOMINION LANDS.

185. Surveys of Land, North-West (including Staff)..... 230,000 00

MINOR REVENUES.

186. Estimate of amount for which a vote is required 10,000 00

The House then adjourned at 1 a. m.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Blake*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intend to propose to Parliament any measure on the subject of the re-adjustment of the Terms of Union with British Columbia?

Mr. *Norris*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Estimates and Reports of the Engineers in charge of the Welland Canal, shewing the cost of making fourteen feet draft of water in said Canal instead of twelve feet, as at present contemplated.

Mr. *Cartwright*—To-morrow—That the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to appoint an officer to be called Superintendent of Insurance.

That the scale of fees to be charged the Company shall be as follows:—

For recording and filing the several documents required of each Company under section VIII of this Act.....	\$10 00
For charge of Attorney under said section	5 00
For license to do business	5 00
For every renewal of such license.....	2 00
For annual statement of each Company	5 00

Mr. *Charlton*—On Monday next—That in the interests of the entire Dominion it would be desirable that the Geological Museum now located at Montreal should be removed to Ottawa and placed under the immediate control of the Department of the Interior.

Mr. *Baby*—In amendment to Mr. *Blake's* proposed motion in amendment to Mr. *Costigan's* motion for an Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of the New Brunswick School Law,—

That all the words after “that” in the said amendment be struck out, and the following substituted:

That this House regrets that the position of the Roman Catholic minority in the Province of New Brunswick, with regard to their educational rights, is such as to cause uneasiness to a large portion of Her Majesty's subjects in the Dominion;

That this House is of opinion that any legislation which will restore harmony among persons professing different religions and remove any feeling of uneasiness now existing among any portion of Her Majesty's subjects is greatly to be desired;

That by Resolutions passed by the House of Commons on the 30th May, 1872, it was regretted that the School Act recently passed in New Brunswick was unsatisfactory to a portion of the inhabitants of that Province and hoped that it would be so modified as to remove any just ground of discontent;

That this House re-affirms the spirit of said Resolutions and regrets that the privileges enjoyed at the time of the Union, by the Roman Catholics of New Brunswick, in respect of religious education in the Common Schools were not secured to them by the British North America Act;

That therefore an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen embodying these Resolutions and praying that an Act be passed to secure to the Roman Catholic minority of New Brunswick the same rights, privileges and advantages with respect to schools and the same exemption from taxation for the support of public or common schools as are now respectively enjoyed and possessed by the Roman Catholic minority in Ontario and the Protestant minority in Quebec.

Mr. *Cartwright*—On Monday next—BILL to amend the Act respecting Insurance.

Mr. *Denville*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have sold any portion of the Ordnance Lands in Fredericton fronting on the River in the centre of the city to Messrs Burpee & Temple or other parties. If so, what quantity of land; also price paid or to be paid for same and terms?

Mr. *Cameron* [Cardwell]—On Monday next—BILL entitled “An Act further to amend the Acts respecting Controverted Elections.”

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 5TH MARCH, 1875.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that the Clerk of The House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, a Certificate of the Election and Return of *Charles Auguste Maximilien Globensky, Esq.*, member to represent the Electoral District of Two Mountains.

Thirty-seven Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) presented, — Return to Address of the 11th May, 1874; for a statement showing the number of *Employés* in each Department of the Civil Service of the Dominion, giving the name of each *Employé* and his age, when first appointed to the Service; also his occupation prior to his said appointment, and the country in which he was born.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland) laid before The House, — Estimate for construction of new lights and Steam Fog-Whistles, for the fiscal year, ending 30th June, 1876, which is as follows:—

ONTARIO.

New Lighthouse at Rondeau Harbor, Lake Ontario	\$8,000
New Lighthouse at entrance of Nepigon Harbour, Lake Superior.....	4,000
New Lighthouse on Duck Island, Lake Huron.....	4,500
New Light at entrance of Weller's Bay, Prince Edward County.....	2,500
New Range Lights, entrance to Southampton Harbour, Lake Huron.....	2,000
New Floating Light, Bar Point, Lake Erie.....	3,000
New Range Lights, Amherstburg	1,000
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	\$25,000

QUEBEC.

New Light on Greenly Island, Straits of Belleisle.....	\$6,000
New Pier on Algernon Rock, near Pillars, River St. Lawrence, below Quebec, additional to previous vote.....	3,000
New Lights at Goose Point, Monte du Lac, Island of Orleans, and Pier at Bay St. Paul.....	5,000
New Beacon Lights, Saguenay River.....	500
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	\$14,500

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Towards the erection of a Steam Fog-Whistle at Musquash, Bay of Fundy.....	\$5,000
do do do Grindstone Island, Bay of Fundy.....	5,000
New Lighthouse and Pier, at St. Andrew's Harbour, in lieu of the one blown down.....	5,500
Beacon Light at Point Midwick, St. George's Harbour, Charlotte County.....	1,000
Beacon Lights at Shippegan, Neguac and Tracadie Gullies.....	1,000
Shediac Harbour, Floating Light.....	3,000
Beacon on McManus shore, Grand Lake, near Newcastle.....	700
New Tower and Dioptric Apparatus to replace old Tower on Machias Seal Island.....	7,000
Fog Bell and Apparatus, Quaco Lighthouse.....	1,800
Beacon at L'Etang Harbour.....	1,000
	<u>\$31,000</u>

NOVA SCOTIA.

Guion Island, Cape Breton, in addition to previous vote.....	\$3,000
Isle of Holt, Bay of Fundy.....	5,000
Fort Point, Beacon Light.....	1,200
Fog Bell and Apparatus, Meagher's Beach.....	2,000
Additional Tower and Light, Devil's Island.....	3,000
Day Beacon, Sand Point, Shelburne Harbour.....	400
Beacon Light at Petit de Grat Harbour, Richmond County.....	1,500
Betty's Island, Halifax County, in addition to previous vote.....	2,000
Iron Spindle, Cow Ledge, near Westport, County of Digby.....	500
Towards a Lighthouse at Pope's Harbour or Tangier Head, County of Halifax....	1,000
	<u>\$19,600</u>

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Blockhouse Point, entrance of Charlottetown Harbor, Lighthouse.....	\$4,000
Iron Bell Buoy, in Hillsboro' Bay.....	2,000
Murray Harbor, King's County, Light.....	1,000
Tracadie, Queen's County, Range Lights and Oil Shed.....	1,200
Rustico Harbor, Queen's County, Lighthouse.....	2,000
New London, Queen's County, Lighthouse.....	2,000
Fish Island, Prince County, range Lights.....	4,000
Casumpec, Prince County.....	4,000
North Cape, Prince County, new Lantern and apparatus.....	3,500
Summerside, Prince County.....	900
West Point Lighthouse, additional to vote of last year for Lantern, apparatus, etc.	2,500
	<u>\$27,100</u>

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Lanterns and lighting apparatus for Lighthouse at entrance Island, Nanaimo and Beren's Island, Victoria Harbour.....	\$1,000
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GENERAL.

Beacons and Pier Lights.....	... \$800
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RECAPITULATION.

Ontario.....	\$25,000
Quebec.....	14,500
New Brunswick.....	31,000
Nova Scotia.....	19,600
Prince Edward Island.....	27,100
British Columbia.....	1,000
General (Beacons and Pier Lights).....	800
	<u>\$120,000</u>

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of South Maryburgh, of the Municipal Council of the Township of Athol, of the Municipal Council of the Township of Sophiasburgh, and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Hallowell, County of Prince Edward; of *J. W. Mack* and others, of Mill Village, County of Queens, Province of Nova Scotia; of *Hector McLean* and others, and of *William Frazer* and others, of Wellington Ward, of *John Crowley* and others, of St. George's Ward, of *W. H. Williams* and others, of Victoria Ward, of the Reverend *Marc Ami* and others, and of *Nicholas Link* and others, of By-Ward, all of the City of Ottawa, County of Carleton; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Usbourne, County of Huron; of *Hugh Bowland* and others, of the Township of Ramsay and part of the Township of Lanark,

County of Lanark; of *J. Evans* and others, of St. Sylvester; and of the Reverend *P. Robin* and others, of St. Antoine de Tilly, County of Lotbinière; of the Reverend *James Bayne* and others of Pictou and other places, County of Pictou, Province of Nova Scotia; of *S. D. Thomson* and others, of the Township of Gloucester, and of *John Bell* and others, of the Township of North Gower, County of Carleton; of the Reverend *H. Cairns* and others, of Clarenceville Centre, of *Hiram B. Street* and others, of St. Armand West, and of *W. H. Naylor* and others, of Philipsburg, County of Missisquoi; of *Edward H. Pool* and others, of the County of Leeds; of the Reverend *F. Pilote Curé*, and others, of St. Augustin, and of the Reverend *L. E. Parent, Curé*, and others, of the Municipality of Pointe-aux-Trembles, County of Portneuf; of *James Read* and others, of De Ramsay, County of Joliette; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Raleigh, of the Municipal Council of the Township of Romney, and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Chatham, County of Kent; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Montreal Permanent Building Society; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change their name to that of The Montreal Savings and Loan Company, and also for an extension of powers.

Of Messrs. *John T. Fraser & Co.*; praying that they may be heard and assisted during the examination of witnesses by Counsel before the Committee and Sub-Committee on Public Accounts with reference to certain charges preferred against them.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *Sylvester Neelan*, of St. Catherines, and others; praying that the depth of water in the enlarged Welland Canal may be increased, so that the largest class of vessels employed on the Upper Lakes may pass freely downward to Lake Ontario, may now be read and received.

Mr. Speaker decided:—"That as the granting the prayer of this Petition would involve the expenditure of public money, it cannot be received."

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the first Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill [No. 16] to change the name of the "Imperial Buildings and Investment Company to that of the Imperial Loan and Investment Company," *without amendment*;—and the following Bills, viz:—

No. 15. To amend the Act incorporating the London and Canada Bank.

No. 27. To incorporate the Industrial Life Insurance Company; and

No. 28. To incorporate La Banque St. Jean Baptiste, *with amendments*.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the sixth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz:—Of *Damon Rivers Averill*, of New Centreville, Oswego County, State of New York, U. S.; for the passing of an Act authorizing the issue of Letters Patent to him, for an invention consisting of certain improvements in Paints; Of the Niagara District Bank; for the passing of an Act, empowering them to amalgamate with the Imperial Bank of Canada; Of *Ashley Hibbard* and others, Provisional Directors of the International Express Co.; for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation; and of the Imperial Bank of Canada; for the passing of an Act, empowering them to amalgamate with the Niagara District Bank.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex) the 4th and 5th Reports of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. *Jetté*, the Fee paid on Bill (No. 72) to incorporate the Montreal Steam Ferry Co., introduced during the Session of 1874, and afterwards withdrawn, was ordered to be refunded.

Mr. *Forbes* introduced a Bill (No. 70) to amend the Act to make better provision for the inspection of certain staple articles of Canadian produce.—Second reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Baby* introduced a Bill (No. 71) to amend the Act 37-38 *Victoria*, Chapter 115, incorporating "The International Express Company."—Second reading on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland), The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, on Monday next, to consider certain proposed Resolutions to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*, Cap. 64, respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed seamen.

Also,—to consider certain other proposed Resolutions, respecting certificates to Masters and Mates of ships.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, on Monday next, to consider certain Resolutions, providing for the appointment of an Inspector of Insurance Companies, and the scale of fees to be charged under Bill (No. 67) in relation thereto.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution being proposed:—

72. Pacific Railway..... \$6,250,000

And a Debate arising thereon; at 6 o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, to adjourn The House until half-past seven P. M.

7.30 P. M.

E. Octavian Cuthbert, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Berthier, having presented a Duplicate of the Indenture of his Return, and previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in The House.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), it was *Resolved*, That on admitting *E. O. Cuthbert*, Esq., elected to represent the Electoral District of Berthier, to take his seat on the production of the Duplicate Indenture only, and without the Return of the Indenture of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, and the Certificate of the latter officer, this House still recommends a strict adherence to the practice of requiring the production of the usual Certificate.

(The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.)

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to Committees, as follows:—

To the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce :

- No. 32. To consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the Provincial Insurance Company of Canada.
- No. 36. To incorporate "The Royal Mutual Life Insurance Company of Canada."
- No. 41. To amend the Act passed by the Parliament of the late Province of Canada, intituled: "An Act to incorporate 'The Montreal Board of Trade.'"
- No. 48. To incorporate the European and American Express and Agency Company.
- No. 55. To amend the Act incorporating the Board of Trade of the Town of Lewis.

To the Select Standing Committee on Railroads, Canals, and Telegraph Lines :

No. 33. To confirm articles of agreement and consolidation between the European and North American Railway Company, for extension from St. John westward; and the European and North American Railway Company of Maine, and for other purposes.

- No. 37. Respecting the International Bridge Company.
- No. 43. To amend the Acts of incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.
- No. 56. To consolidate the enactments relating to the Northern Railway Company of Canada, and to provide for the consolidation of the Loan Capital of the Company.

A Message was received from the Senate with the following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, viz.:—

No. 72 intituled: "An Act to amend 'The Interpretation Act,' as respects the printing and distribution of the Statutes, and the territorial application of Acts amending previous Acts."—(On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) read the first time. Second reading on Monday next.)

No. 73 intituled: "An Act to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Department of the Secretary of State of Canada."—(On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) read the first time. Second reading on Monday next.)

The Committee of Supply resumed the Debate on the proposed Resolution 72.

And a further Debate arising thereon, and the House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

SATURDAY, 6TH MARCH, 1875.

And the question being put, it was agreed to, and the said Resolution accordingly adopted.

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received, and Committee to sit again, on Monday next.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) laid before The House,—the Report of *John Page*, Esq., Chief Engineer of Public Works, on the Navigation of the River St. Lawrence between Lake Ontario and Montreal.

The House then adjourned at 2:05 A.M., until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

ERRATUM.

In the Votes of the 25th February last, page 130, upon the question of concurrence in Resolution No. 47, reported from the Committee of Supply; the Record should be:

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Resolution 47, be now read a second time.

Mr. *Masson* (Terrebonne) moved, and it was proposed in amendment, that the following words be added to the Resolution:

"And that out of the sum to be set apart for the benefit of the Menonites a proportionate sum be assigned towards inducing Canadians residing in the United States to settle in Manitoba or the North-West Territory.

And objection being taken to the constitutionality of this motion;

Mr. Speaker stated, that it was not competent for the Honorable Member to move to change the destination of a grant recommended by the Crown—consequently he must decline to put this motion of amendment.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—On Monday next—That the House do resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolutions:

1. That it will conduce to the promotion of Immigration to Canada in view of combinations or unions of owners of lines of steam vessels, to fix uniform rates of emigrant passages, by creating monopoly between ports in Europe and ports in Canada and the Northern United States, to authorize the Governor General by order in Council, published by Proclamation in the *Canada Gazette*, to collect in certain cases, a duty from the Master of every ship arriving at any port in Canada, from any port in Europe with passengers or emigrants therefor.

2. Such duty not to exceed *two dollars* for every passenger or emigrant above the age of one year to be landed in Canada.

3. Such duty only to be collected at such times as shall be specified by Proclamation.

4. That "the Immigration Act of 1872" should be amended in the sense of the foregoing Resolutions.

Mr. *Baby*—In amendment to Mr. *Blake's* proposed motion in amendment to Mr. *Costigan's* motion for an Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of the New Brunswick School Law,—

That all the words after "that" in the said amendment be struck out, and the following substituted:

That this House regrets that the position of the Roman Catholic minority in the Province of New Brunswick, with regard to their educational rights, is such as to cause uneasiness to a large portion of Her Majesty's subjects in the Dominion;

That this House is of opinion that any legislation which will restore harmony among persons professing different religions and remove any feeling of uneasiness now existing among any portion of Her Majesty's subjects is greatly to be desired;

That by Resolutions passed by the House of Commons on the 30th May, 1872, it was regretted that the School Act recently passed in New Brunswick was unsatisfactory to a portion of the inhabitants of that Province and hoped that it would be so modified as to remove any just ground of discontent;

That this House re-affirms the spirit of said Resolutions and regrets that the privileges enjoyed at the time of the Union, by the Roman Catholics of New Brunswick, in respect of religious education in the Common Schools were not secured to them by the British North America Act;

That therefore an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen embodying these Resolutions and praying that she may be pleased to take such steps as will lead to the legislation necessary to secure to the Roman Catholic minority of New Brunswick the same rights, privileges and advantages with respect to schools and the same exemption from taxation for the support of public or common schools as are now respectively enjoyed and possessed by the Roman Catholic minority in Ontario and the Protestant minority in Quebec.

Mr. *Cimon*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government, in the interests of navigation, to provide in the Supplementary Estimates a sum of \$500 or \$600 to increase the number of lights on the River Saguenay [Chicoutimi] and to improve the existing lights?

Mr. *Palmer*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to take any and what measures to secure to Canada at as early a day as possible the amount of the compensation to which she is entitled by the 22nd Article of the Treaty of Washington?

Mr. *Palmer*—On Monday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to consider the following Resolutions:—

That in the opinion of this House the Government should without further delay take such measures as may be necessary to have the Commissioners provided for by the Fishery clauses of the Treaty of Washington appointed and thereby secure to Canada the early payment of the amount to which she may be entitled by the Treaty, from the United States of America for compensation for the use of the Fisheries on the Coast of Canada.

Mr. *De Cosmos*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for any Reports or correspondence respecting the ravages of the Grasshoppers in Manitoba and the North-West Territory, in 1874.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—On Tuesday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to consider the expediency of extending provisions similar, as nearly as circumstances permit, to those of "the Seamen's Act, 1873," to vessels employed in navigating the Inland Waters of Canada.

Mr. *Cheval*—On Monday next—SELECT COMMITTEE, to consider whether, with a view to cause the different nationalities of this Confederation to arrive at a true mutual understanding and a better knowledge of their political requirements, rights and duties, and of the veritable tendencies, real worth and true character of public men and of producing that good feeling and harmony between them which are essential to the formation of a great nation, it would not be expedient to take the necessary steps to cause all the Debates of this House to be published in both the English and French languages; and whether it would not be advisable that for the present Session, the Canadian Hansard, now published, be, during the coming recess, translated and printed in the said two languages,—with the texts placed side by side,—and bound and distributed in the form and manner already prescribed for the said Canadian Hansard; with power to send for persons and papers, and to report to this House. The said Committee to be composed of the Members following

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the respective Committees on or after Friday the 12th instant:—

Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Bill [No. 32] to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the Provincial Insurance Company of Canada.

Bill [No. 36] to incorporate the Royal Mutual Life Insurance Company of Canada.

Bill [No. 41] to amend the Act passed by the Parliament of the late Province of Canada intituled "An Act to incorporate the Montreal Board of Trade."

Bill (No. 48) to incorporate the European and American Express and Agency Company.

Bill (No. 55) to amend the Act incorporating the Board of Trade of the Town of Levis.

Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

Bill (No. 33) to confirm Articles of Agreement and Consolidation between the European and North American Railway Company for extension from St. John westward; and the European and North American Railway Company of Maine, and for other purposes.

Bill (No. 37) respecting the International Bridge Company.

Bill (No. 43) to amend the Acts of incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.

Bill (No. 56) to consolidate the enactments relating to the Northern Railway Company of Canada, and to provide for the consolidation of the Loan Capital of the Company.

No. 21.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 8TH MARCH, 1875.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House, —*Lists of Stockholders* of the *Bank of New Brunswick*, on the 27th February, 1875,—Of the *Quebec Bank*, on the 22nd February, 1875,—and of the *St. Stephen's Bank*, 1875, under the provisions of the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, Section 12.

Also,—*General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of Montmagny and Saguenay*, for the year 1874.

Forty Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Municipal Council of the Town of Brampton; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Haldimand; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Dummer, and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Monaghan North, County of Peterborough; of *Henry Shaw* and others, of the Village of Minden, County of Haliburton; of the Reverend *W. T. Early* and others of the Township of Finch, County of Stormont; of *Chambers McRobert* and others, of the Township of London, County of Middlesex; of the Reverend *John McGuire* and others, of Holland, and of *Isaac Baker* and others, of Sarawak, County of Grey; of the Reverend *Richard Mathers* and others of Peninsula, and of *G. Lavigne* and others, of La Rivière au Renard, County of Gaspé; of the Reverend *John Falvey* and others, of St. Colomban, County of Two Mountains; of *A. L. Cook* and others, of Bayham, County of Elgin; of *George Metcalfe* and others, of the Village of Newcastle, County of Durham; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Logan, County of Perth; of *Edward Averill*, and others, of West Flamboro', County of Wentworth; of the Municipal Council of the Village of Richmond Hill, of *C. M. Hollenshead* and others, of Laskay and vicinity, and of *William Watson* and others, of the Village of Weston, County of York, Ontario; of the Municipal Council of the Townships of Carden and Dalton; of *J. K. Smith* and others, of Galt, County of Waterloo; of the Reverend *Donald Fraser* and others, of *James George* and others, of *John Smith* and others, of *William Burgess* and others, and of *William Allan Sebastian* and others, of Port Elgin, of *H. D. Henderson* and others, of the Township of Carriick, and of *James Irwin* and others of Huron, County of Bruce; of *W. B. Mills*, Reeve and others, of Kennebec, County of Frontenac; of the Municipal Council of the Town of Napanee, of the Reverend *G. S. White* and others, of Ernestown, County of Lennox; and of *Thomas Ross* and others, of East Hawkesbury, County of Prescott; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Executive Council of the Dominion Board of Trade; praying that Foreign Life Insurance Companies may be compelled to make a deposit of Government funds; and also for the establishment of a rigid system of inspection of Fire and Life Insurance Companies.

Of *J. L. Murdock* and others, praying that the clause of the Bill now before Parliament amend the Act for the regulation of the Postal Service, which enacts that the Postage on Newspapers shall be paid in advance, may be erased from the Bill.

Of the Municipal Council of the Town of Windsor, and of the Board of Trade of the Town of Windsor; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament to amend the Act for the regulation of the Postal Service, may be so amended as to allow Newspapers from the office of publication to pass free by mail.

Of *G. B. Besley*, M.A., and others, and of *Stephen Prebbel* and others, of the District of Muskoka, Province of Ontario; severally praying that any measure brought before Parliament having for its object the amalgamation of the Northern Extension Railways Company with the Northern Railway Company, may be granted.

Of the Canadian Press Association; praying that the clause of the Bill now before Parliament to amend the Act for the regulation of the Postal Service, may not be adopted, but that Newspapers may be allowed to pass free in the Counties where published, or that the Postage on Newspapers may be abolished.

Of the Canada Central Railway Company; praying for an extension of the time appointed for the deposit of Maps and Plans, and for the completion of their Railway, and for further powers.

Of His Grace the Archbishop of St. Boniface and others, of the Province of Manitoba; praying for the adoption of a measure to enable all persons who have taken possession *bonâ fide* and according to the custom, of lands in the said Province, to obtain patents for the said lands.

Motion being made, that the Petition of Messrs. *F. Wood & Co.*, and others, of Sarnia; praying that the depth of water in the enlarged Welland Canal may be increased, so that the largest class of vessels employed on the Upper Lakes may pass freely downward to Lake Ontario, be now read and received.

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the granting the prayer of this Petition would involve the expenditure of public money, it cannot be received.”

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament presented the sixth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee having carefully examined the following documents, recommend that they be printed *viz*:—

Return to Address, shewing the cost of the bridges on the Interoceanic Railway, with the comparative cost of spans of wood and iron, &c.

Report of the Select Committee appointed to enquire as to the best and most direct route for the conveyance of mails and passengers between the Dominion of Canada and Europe, and the possibility of navigating the Gulf of St. Lawrence during the winter months, &c., (in a condensed form.)

Return to Address—Statement of the number of Emigrants conveyed over the Dawson Road to Manitoba since the opening of said road; also the cost of conveyance of such emigrants, &c.

Return to Address—Tenders for carrying Passengers and Freight between Thunder Bay and Fort Garry, with the names of parties tendering, &c.

Return to Address—Allowances and gratuities granted under the Act 33 Vic., chap 4, since the beginning of the year 1874, &c., &c.

Return to Address—Report of *L. G. Bell*, C.E., on the exploration made of the route of the Huron and Ottawa Railway, from Ottawa City to Parry Sound, &c., with a map.

Statement of the Estate of the Bank of Upper Canada.

Statement of the receipts and payments of the Dominion of Canada, from 1st July, 1874, to 20th February, 1875.

Articles of Agreement entered into between *Asa Belknap Foster* and Her Majesty Queen Victoria, represented by the Minister of Public Works of Canada, for the construction and working of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway, &c.

Return prepared from the Records of the Elections of the House of Commons, of the constituencies in which vacancies occurred.

Return to Address—Statement of those persons who have been invalided or discharged before the termination of their term of enlistment from the Militia Volunteer Force in Manitoba.

The Committee also recommend that the following be not printed, *viz*:—

General Statements from certain Districts of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials.

Return to Address—For a Return of the number of Counties in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick in which Examiners of Fish Inspectors have been appointed, &c.

Return to Address—Despatches received from the Imperial Government on the subject of the Naturalization of Aliens, &c.

Return to Address for copy of Contract for the removal of wrecks at the entrance of Richibucto Harbor, N.B., &c.

Return to Address in reference to the construction of a bridge over Oliver's Ferry.

Return to Address—List of persons who have contracted for works on the Welland Canal, &c., &c.

Return to Address—Instructions furnished by Department of Public Works to Mr. *Johnston* for the Survey of that part of the Ottawa River lying between the Foot of *Pâquet's* Rapids and Head of Allumette Island, &c., &c.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), the said Report was concurred in.

Mr. *Young*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the first Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee having under consideration items in the Public Accounts concerning Custom Houses, Marine Supplies, etc., and being desirous of obtaining fuller information than can be obtained from the Public Accounts of the fiscal year 1873-74, which have been referred to them, would request that such portions of the Public Accounts of previous years as refer to the purchase of Middle Island for a Quarantine Station;—The purchase of Custom Houses and repairs of the same at Chatham and at Newcastle,—Also, the purchase of a Shipyard and Wharf at Newcastle,—and a Lightship for Halifax Harbor—and Marine Supplies, may also be referred to them.

On motion of Mr. Young, the said Report was concurred in.

Mr. Scatcherd, from the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, presented the first Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee instructed by The House to consider and report on the proper course to be pursued as to the case of Mr. Orton, Member elect for the Electoral District of Centre Wellington, having sat and voted in The House during the present Session without having qualified himself to sit and vote by taking and subscribing the Oath prescribed in the 128th Section of "The British North America Act of 1867," report as follows:—

The Committee have had under their consideration the above mentioned reference [made to them by The House.

The 128th Section of "The British North America Act of 1867," enacts that any Member of the House of Commons of Canada, shall, before taking his seat therein, take and subscribe the Oath of Allegiance contained in the 5th Schedule to that Act, but no direct forfeiture or penalty is provided by this Act for the omission; and

The Act for the Independence of Members of Parliament, 31st Victoria, Chapter 25, while it makes provisions for disqualifications, forfeiture of seats and payment of penalties by Members in certain cases, makes no provision for a case such as this.

The Committee are therefore of opinion that the seat of Mr. Orton, the Member for Centre Wellington, is not effected by his having sat and voted in The House before he took the Oath provided, as aforesaid.

The Committee is further of opinion that the votes of Mr. Orton, before he took the prescribed Oath should be struck out of the Division List and Journals of The House, as he had no right to sit and vote until he had taken that Oath.

Mr. Domville moved, that the Petition of J. F. Fraser & Co. be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts, and that the Petitioners be heard by themselves, their Counsel, Agents and witnesses, upon their Petition, if they think fit.

And objection being taken to this motion, as one now on the notice paper and undisposed of,—Mr. Speaker consequently ruled the said motion out of order, until it was called.

Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton) presented,—Return to Address of the 17th ult., for a Return of all tenders for the construction of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway, with Orders in Council, correspondence, and all papers relating thereto,

And,—Return to Address of the 27th April, 1874; for

1st. Any correspondence between the Government and the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company, or any of the Directors or Agents thereof, on the subject of the leasing of the Wharves below Quebec.

2nd. A statement showing the sums collected as Wharfage dues established by the Department of Public Works, and the sums paid to the Government for each of the said Wharves.

On motion of Mr. Masson, Mr. Globensky was added to the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization,—and Mr. Cuthbert to that on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Mr. Cartwright introduced a Bill [No. 74] respecting the Civil Service of Canada.—Second reading to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz.:—

No. 16. To change the name of the "Imperial Building, Savings and Investment Company," to that of the "Imperial Loan and Investment Company."

No. 15. To amend the Acts to incorporate the London and Canada Bank, and to change the name thereof to that of "The Bank of the United Provinces."

No. 27. To incorporate the Industrial Life Insurance Company (with one amendment.)

No. 28. To incorporate *La Banque St. Jean Baptiste*.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment*, viz.:—

No. 4. To amend the "Dominion Militia and Defence Acts."

No. 12. To amend the Act for the better preservation of the Peace in the vicinity of Public Works.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill (No. 3) to repeal certain provisions of an Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, *with one amendment*. (On motion of Mr. Fournier, the said amendment was taken into consideration, and agreed to.)

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), delivered a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, which was read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

Dufferin.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Senate and House of Commons, copies of further correspondence which has taken place with the Right Honorable The Secretary of State for the Colonies, relating to the commutation of the sentence of death, passed on *Ambroise Lépine*, for the murder of *Thomas Scott*, at Fort Garry.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, 8th March, 1875.

Mr. *Costigan* moved,—That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty representing that it is essential to the peace and prosperity of the Dominion of Canada that the several Religions therein prevailing should be followed in perfect harmony by those professing them in accord with each other; and that every law passed by this Parliament, or by the Local Legislatures disregarding the rights and usages tolerated by any one of such Religions, is of a nature to destroy that harmony. That the Local Legislature of New Brunswick in 1871, adopted a law respecting common schools, forbidding the imparting of any religious education to pupils, and that that prohibition is opposed to the sentiments of the entire population of the Dominion in general, and to the religious convictions of the Roman Catholic population in particular; that the Roman Catholics of New Brunswick cannot conscientiously send their children to schools established under such law, and are nevertheless compelled, like the remainder of the population to pay taxes to be devoted to the maintenance of such schools; that the said law is unjust, and contrary to the spirit of the Constitution, and causes much uneasiness among the Roman Catholic population disseminated throughout the whole Dominion of Canada, and that such a state of affairs, if continued, is likely to prove the cause of disastrous results to all the Confederate Provinces; and praying that Her Majesty will be pleased to cause an Act to be passed amending "The British North American Act," by providing that the Roman Catholic inhabitants of New Brunswick, who are in a minority in that Province, shall have the same rights, privileges and advantages with respect to separate or dissential schools, and the same exemptions from taxation for the support of public or common schools as are now respectively enjoyed and possessed by the Roman Catholic minority of Ontario, and the Protestant minority of Quebec.

And a Debate arising thereon;

Mr. *Dymond* moved, that the said Debate be adjourned; which was agreed to, on a division.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Irving*—In Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 23) entitled "An Act to amend the Act for the more speedy trial, in certain cases, of persons charged with Felonies and Misdemeanors in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec"—to add the following clause thereto:—

(2.) "The powers conferred and imposed upon the Judge, to be exercised and performed under the Act cited in the Title to this Act, with and after the consent of the person charged, may be exercised and performed, notwithstanding the Court or which but for such consent the said person would be triable for the offence charged, or the Grand Jury thereof may then be in Session."

(3.) "If one of two or more prisoners charged with the same offence, demands a trial by Jury, and the other or others consent to be tried by the Judge without a Jury, the Judge in his discretion, may remand the said prisoners to Gaol to await Trial in all respects as if the Act cited in the Title had not been passed."

Mr. *Cartwright*—On Tuesday next—BILL to amend the Act relating to Superannuation.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement in detail of all qualities of all work performed in Earth, Rock and Masonry on Section 16 of the Intercolonial Railway since that section was taken out of the hands of the contractor; also copies of all Orders in Council, Reports to Council, Orders of Commissioners, orders of *Charles J. Brydges*, orders of Mr. *Collingwood Schriber*, or other party connected with the completion of said work; and also in reference to the taking possession of the goods, houses, stables, plant and materials of the contractor.

Mr. *Shibley*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of all letters, telegrams, papers and documents relating to the sale of the property in the City of Kingston, known as *Morton's Distillery* and *Morton Wood*, and sold by the Government of the Dominion as Trustees of the Bank of Upper Canada to one *Felix Hooper*, in 1872.

Mr. *Shibley*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of all documents relating to the sale of a block of Ordnance Land in the City of Kingston, lying North of North Street and West of Rideau Street, and sold by the Government to one *J. G. Tandy*, in or about the year 1873, for the sum of \$1,500.

Sir *John A. Macdonald*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Orders in Council not already laid before this House relating to the allowance or disallowance of Acts of the several Provincial Legislatures since Confederation, and of all correspondence between the Government of Canada and the several Provincial Governments respecting such Acts.

Mr. *Mackenzie*—On Thursday next—That this House do ratify the Order in Council granting a subsidy to the Canada Central Railway Company, now on the Table of the House.

Mr. *Bowell*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Minutes in Council relating to the commutation of the sentence of death passed on *Ambrose Lepine*, in Manitoba, for the murder of *Thomas Scott*.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—On Thursday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the expediency of transferring the powers and authorities of the Trinity House of Quebec to the Quebec Harbour Commissioners, with the property of the said Trinity House, except the Decayed Pilot Fund, which shall be transferred to the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbour of Quebec; and of amending the constitution of the Corporation of the said Harbour Commissioners.

No. 22.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 8TH MARCH, 1876.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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No. 23.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 9TH MARCH, 1875.

Mr. Speaker informed The House, that the Clerk of the House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, a Certificate of the Election and Return of *Edouard Octavian Cuthbert*, Esq., Member to represent the Electoral District of Berthier.

Twenty-two Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the seventh Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

That having referred to their Sub-Committee, appointed for the management of the Reporting the Debates of the House of Commons, the subject of ascertaining the additional expense of publishing the Debates in the two languages, and as it appears by the second Report of the said Sub-Committee hereto annexed, that the said cost is estimated at \$3,190.64, they respectfully recommend the adoption of the Report, and the publication of the Debates in the two languages.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
8th March, 1875.

The Sub-Committee appointed for the management of the Reporting and Publishing the Debates of the House of Commons, beg leave to submit as their

SECOND REPORT

An Estimate of the cost of publishing an addition of the Debates in the French language, prepared in conformity with a Resolution of the Committee of the 5th inst., instructing the Sub-Committee to ascertain the cost of printing the Debates in both languages; the said Estimate is based on one thousand pages of printed matter, and is as follows:—

Translation, 1,000 pages, @ \$1.50 per page.....	\$1,500 00
Printing (Composition), 1,000 pages, @ \$1.13.....	1,130 00
Printing (Presswork), 375 tokens, @ 40 cents	150 00
Folding 50,000 sheets, @ 20 cents per 100.....	100 00
Paper, 1,654 quires, @ 16 cents per quire	264 64
Binding, 200 volumes, @ 23 cents	46 00

\$3,190 64

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. W. ROSS,
J. SIMPSON,
M. BOWELL,
A. H. DYMOND,
J. O. BURRAU.

He also presented the eighth Report of the said Committee, which embodies the second Report of their Sub-Committee, appointed to audit the Printing Accounts, and respectfully asks the adoption of the recommendation therein contained.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
8th March, 1875.

The Sub-Committee appointed to audit the Printing Accounts, beg leave to submit the following as their

SECOND REPORT.

That having carefully examined a statement of the Expenditure to date for the Printing Services of Parliament, and considering the quantity of work yet to be performed before the end of the present fiscal year, they conceive that the appropriation for that purpose will be insufficient to cover the necessary Expenditure. They therefore respectfully recommend a Supplementary Estimate for \$10,000 being asked for, to be accounted for in the usual manner.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON,
GEO. W. ROSS,
M. BOWELL.

He further presented the ninth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

The Committee having carefully examined the following documents, recommend that they be printed, viz :—

Message transmitting copies of further correspondence relating to the commutation of the sentence of death passed on *Ambroise Lepine*.

Return to Address,—Tenders for the construction of the Georgian Bay branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway, with orders in Council, &c.

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Government and the St. Lawrence Tow Boat Company, on the subject of the leasing of the wharves below Quebec, &c.

Report of John Page, Esquire, C. E., on the navigation of the St. Lawrence.

Return to Address,—Papers in connection with a Treaty of Reciprocity with the United States.

The Committee also recommend that the following document be not printed :—

Return to Address,—Statement of the number of employees in each Department of the Civil Service of the Dominion with their names, ages, &c.

On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex), the eighth and ninth of the foregoing Reports, were concurred in.

Mr. Rymal, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the seventh Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

The Committee have examined the Petition of the Montreal Permanent Building Society, for an Act empowering them to change their name to that of the Montreal Savings and Loan Company;—and also for an extension of powers, and find the notice sufficient.

The Committee have also examined the notices given on the following Petitions, and find them insufficient in point of time, viz :—of *François Xavier Galarneau*, Farmer, of the Parish of L'Assomption, and *Magloire Cléophas Galarneau*, Merchant, of the City of Montreal; for an Act to enable them to construct a Bridge across the River L'Assomption at Le Portage, and to collect tolls thereon; of the Canada Central Railway Company, for an extension of the time appointed for the deposit of Maps and Plans, for the completion of their Railway, and for further powers;—and of *Thomas McGreevy* and others; for an Act incorporating them as a Company for the purpose of constructing a Railway from Lake Nipissing to Quebec *via* Portneuf, under the name of the Quebec and Lake Huron Direct Railway. The Committee therefore recommend a suspension of the Rule.

On motion of Mr. Blake it was *Ordered*, That the adjourned Debate on Mr. Costigan's motion for an Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of the New Brunswick School Law, be made the first item to-morrow, on the Public Bills and Orders.

Mr. Baby introduced a Bill (No. 75) to authorize *François Xavier Galarneau* and others to build a bridge over the L'Assomption River, in the Parish of L'Assomption.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Cameron (Cardwell), introduced a Bill (No. 76) further to amend the Acts respecting Controverted Elections.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Geoffrion introduced a Bill (No. 77) to compel persons delivering Merchantable Liquids in Casks, to mark on such Casks the capacity thereof.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Cartwright introduced a Bill (No. 78) respecting Life Insurance Companies, and Companies doing any Insurance business other than Fire and Inland Marine.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Smith (Westmoreland), The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, to-morrow, to consider certain proposed Resolutions to authorize the collection of duty, in certain cases, from the Masters of ships carrying passengers or emigrants from any port in Europe, to any port in Canada.

Also, to consider the expediency of extending provisions similar, as nearly as circumstances permit, to those of "The Seaman's Act, 1873," to vessels employed in navigating the inland waters of Canada.

The Bill (No. 30) to amend the Gas Inspection Act, 1873, was read the third time, and passed.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole, on Tuesday, the 2nd instant, on the subject of the salaries of the County Court Judges of the Province of Nova Scotia, were reported, and agreed to, and are as follows:—

1. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide that the salaries of the County Court Judges of the Province of Nova Scotia shall be as follows, namely:—

To seven County Court Judges, each, at \$2,000, and that a sum not exceeding \$200 for actual travelling expenses may be allowed to any of the County Court Judges; except the County Judges for the City and County of Halifax, which shall be twenty-four hundred dollars.

2. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide that the said County Court Judge shall be subject, as regards increases, retiring allowances or annuities based upon their salaries above mentioned, as is provided in respect to County Court Judges in either of the Provinces of Ontario, New Brunswick or Prince Edward Island, by the provisions of the 37th *Vic.*, ch. 4.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole, on Thursday, the 4th instant, for the purpose of amending the Act 31 *Victoria*, Chapter 10, for the regulation of the Postal Service, were reported, and agreed to, and are as follows:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 *Vic.*, Cap. 10, for the regulation of the Postal Service.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to make the following amendments to the several sections of the said Act, relating to the rates and mode of payment of postage; that is to say: 1. The 19th section shall be so amended as to read as follows:—

"19. On all letters transmitted by post for any distance within Canada, except in cases herein otherwise specially provided for, there shall be charged and paid one uniform rate of *three cents* per half-ounce weight, any fraction of a half-ounce being chargeable as a half-ounce; and such postage stamp or stamps at the time of posting the letter, otherwise such letter shall not be forwarded by post, except that letters addressed to any place in Canada on which one full rate of three cents has been so prepaid, shall be forwarded to their destination charged with double the amount of postage thereon not prepaid, which shall be collected on delivery."

2. The 20th section shall be so amended as to read as follows:—

20. On letters not transmitted through the mails, but posted and delivered at the same Post Office commonly known as local or drop letters, the rate shall be *one cent per half ounce in weight*, to be in all cases prepaid by postage stamps affixed to such letters.

3. *Resolved*, That the 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th sections shall be repealed, and the following sections substituted for them:—

"22. The rate of postage on newspapers and periodical publication printed and published in Canada, and issued not less frequently than once a month from a known office of publication or news agency, and addressed and posted by and from the same to regular subscribers or news agents, shall be *one cent* for each pound weight or any fraction of a pound weight, to be prepaid by postage stamps or otherwise as the Postmaster General may from time to time direct: and such newspapers and periodicals shall be put up into packages and delivered into the post office, and the postage rate thereon prepaid by the sender thereof, under such regulations as the Postmaster-General may from time to time direct."

"23. Newspapers and periodicals weighing less than one ounce each may be posted singly at a postage rate of *half a cent* each, which must be in all cases prepaid by postage stamp affixed to each."

4. *Resolved*, That the 26th section shall be so amended, as to read as follows:—

"26. On all newspapers and periodicals posted in Canada, except in the cases hereinbefore expressly provided for, and on books, pamphlets, occasional publications, printed circulars, prices current, hand-bills, book and newspaper manuscripts, printers' proof-sheets, whether corrected or not; maps, prints, drawings, engravings, lithographs, photographs when not on glass or in cases containing glass, sheet music, whether printed or written; documents, wholly or partly printed or written, such as deeds, insurance policies, militia and school returns, or other documents of like nature; packages of seeds, cuttings, bulbous roots, scions or grafts, patterns or samples of goods or merchandize, the rate of postage shall be *one cent* for each four ounces or fraction of four ounces."

"Provided that no letter or other communication intended to serve the purpose of a letter be sent or inclosed in any such newspaper or other package or thing mentioned in this or the next preceding section, and that the same be sent in covers open at the ends or sides, or otherwise so put up as to admit of inspection by the officers of the Post Office to ensure compliance with this provision, and the postage rate shall be prepaid by postage stamp or stamped post bands or wrappers, in all cases when any such articles as are mentioned in this section are posted in Canada."

5. *Resolved*, That the 29th section shall be amended by adding at the end thereof the following provisions:—

"And when any letter or other mailable matter is posted in Canada without prepayment, or insufficiently prepaid, in any case in which prepayment is by this Act made obligatory, the Postmaster General may detain the same, and return it, when practicable, to the sender."

6. *Resolved*, That the 40th section shall be amended by substituting "*three cents*" for "*five cents*," as the additional postage to be charged on dead letters to defray the costs of returning the same.

7. *Resolved*, That the 44th section shall be amended by striking out the provision, that the expense of carrying United States mails over any portion of Canada, shall be paid by the United States.

8. *Resolved*, That it is expedient that the said amendments and such other of the amendments proposed in the Bill No. 11, now before this House, as may be adopted by it, be incorporated with the said Act, 31 *Vet.*, cap. 10, so as to consolidate the Statute Law regulating the Postal Service.

The House resumed the Debate on Mr. *Macdonald's* (Glengarry) proposed motion, that the Bill (No. 11) to amend the Act for the regulation of the Postal Service, be now read the second time;—which was, agreed to, and the Bill was accordingly read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole and the Resolutions concurred in this day for the regulation of the Postal Service, were referred to the said Committee.

The said Bill was then considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, and reported. Amendments to be taken into consideration, to-morrow.

A Message was received from the Senate, with the following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, viz:—

No. 79 intitled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting Procedure in Criminal Cases, and other matters relating to Criminal Law." (On motion of Mr. *Fournier*, read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow.)—

No. 80 intitled: "An Act to make further provisions respecting the Central Prison for Ontario." (On motion of Mr. *Fournier*, read the first time. Second reading to-morrow.)—

No. 81 intitled: "An Act for the more speedy trial before Police and Stipendiary Magistrates in the Province of Ontario, of persons charged with Felonies or Misdemeanors." [On motion of Mr. *Fournier*, read the first time. Second reading to-morrow.]

No. 82 intitled: "An Act to incorporate the 'Canadian Gas Lighting Company.'" (On motion of Mr. *Cameron*, (Ontario) read the first time. Second reading to-morrow.)

The Bill (No. 38) to amend the Act therein mentioned respecting Banks and Banking, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz:—

No. 62. Further to amend "An Act respecting the administration of Justice, and for the establishment of a Police Force in the North-West Territories."

No. 5. To amend the Acts respecting the Public Debt, and the raising of Loans authorized by Parliament.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, and adopted the following Resolutions, which were reported, agreed to, and are as follows:—

1. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend the Act for the Issue of Dominion Notes by enacting that the Receiver General shall hold in Specie the excess above \$12,000,000.

2. *Resolved*,—That the Receiver General shall hold 50 per cent. of the amount between \$9,000,000 and \$12,000,000 in Specie.

The Bill (No. 40) to amend the Act regulating the issue of Dominion Notes, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, (and the Resolutions just concurred in on the same subject referred to the said Committee). The said Bill was then reported without amendment, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 68) to amend "The Immigration Act of 1872," was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider a certain proposed Resolution, providing for the appointment of an Inspector of Insurance Companies, and the scale of fees to be charged under Bill (No. 67) to consolidate and amend the several Acts respecting Insurance, in so far as regards Fire and Inland Marine business.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to appoint an officer to be called Superintendent of Insurance. Salary not to exceed \$4,000 per annum.

That the scale of fees to be charged the Company shall be as follows:—

For recording and filing the several documents required of each Company under section VIII of this Act.....	\$10 00
For charge of Attorney under said section	5 00
For license to do business	5 00
For every renewal of such license.....	2 00
For annual statement of each Company	5 00

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time and agreed to.

The Bill (No. 67) to consolidate and amend the several Acts respecting Insurance, in so far as regards Fire and Inland Marine business, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, with instructions to the said Committee to engraft the foregoing Resolution in the said Bill.

Mr. *Fournier* introduced a Bill (No. 83) to provide for the salaries of County Court Judges in the Province of Nova Scotia; and for other purposes.—Second reading to-morrow.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider a certain proposed Resolution for the purpose of amending the Act 37 *Vict.*, Cap. 34, providing for the appointment of Harbor Masters at certain Ports.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to amend the Act 37 *Vict.*, cap. 34 (providing for the appointment of Harbor Masters at certain Ports), and to provide—

1. That so much of the eighth section or any other part of the said Act as prescribes the fees payable for vessels entering Harbors to which the Act applies or exempts vessels engaged in trading between Ports and places in the Dominion, or in the fishing trade, shall be repealed.

2. That the following shall be the fees to be paid for all vessels entering a port or harbor and discharging or taking in cargo, ballast, stores or wood or water, viz.:—

		\$	cts.
Vessels of 50 tons register or under.....			50
“ over 50 tons and not over 100 tons register.....		1	00
“ “ 100 “ “ 200 “		1	50
“ “ 200 “ “ 300 “		2	00
“ “ 300 “ “ 400 “		2	50
“ “ 400 “ “ 500 “		3	00
“ “ 500 “ “ 700 “		4	00
“ “ 700		5	00

3. That such fees shall be payable not more than twice in each calendar year, commencing 1st January, at each port entered, and that no clearance shall be granted to any vessel until the fees payable for the same are paid.

4. That all vessels with cargo, and steamers passing through or arriving at the Port of Sorel, St. Johns, or any inland Port, at which a Harbour Master is appointed under the said Act, shall be liable to pay such fees not more than twice in any calendar year.

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland) then introduced a Bill (No. 84) to amend the Act 37 *Vict.*, Cap. 34, providing for the appointment of Harbor Masters at certain Ports.—Second reading to-morrow.—

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider a certain proposed Resolution to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*, Cap. 64, respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed mariners.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*, Cap. 64, respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed mariners, and to provide that the word “year” in the said Act shall mean the calendar year, commencing on the 1st January, and that vessels now liable to the payment of the duty imposed by the said Act twice in any one year shall hereafter be liable to pay the same three times in any one year under like conditions.

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received, to-morrow.

The following Bills from the Senate were severally read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz.:

No. 72 intitled: “An Act to amend ‘The Interpretation Act’ as respects the printing and distribution of the Statutes, and the territorial application of Acts amending previous Acts,” [with amendment.]

No. 73 intitled: “An Act to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Department of the Secretary of State of Canada.”

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider a certain proposed Resolution amending the Act chapter 46 of the Consolidated Statutes of the late Province of Canada, intitled: “An Act respecting the culling and measuring of Lumber.”

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved.—That it is expedient to amend the Act chapter forty-six of the Consolidated Statutes of the late Province of Canada, entitled: "*An Act respecting the Culling and Measuring of Lumber*"—and for that purpose:

1. To repeal sections 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 24, 30, 31, 32, 33, 35, and 40 respecting the Supervisor, Deputy Supervisors and Cullers, their appointment, salaries and duties and the several qualities of Lumber, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.

2. To vest the power of appointing Deputy Supervisors and of making regulations for the licensing of Cullers in the Governor in Council.

3. To give the Governor in Council power from time to time to raise or lower the Tariff of fees for services under the said Act so as to defray as nearly as possible the expenses of the Supervisor's office and the payment of salaries to the Supervisor, Deputy Supervisors and Cullers.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Geoffrion* then introduced a Bill (No. 85) to amend the Act Cap. 46, of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, entitled "*An Act respecting the Culling of Timber*."—Second reading to-morrow.

The House proceeded to the further consideration of Resolution 128, reported from the Committee of Supply, on the 19th ult.

And the said Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Tuesday, the 2nd instant, were reported, and read as follows:—

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS—CHARGEABLE TO CAPITAL.

RAILWAYS.

69.	Intercolonial Railway (under Commissioner).....	\$ 915,000 00
70.	do Extension into Halifax.....	139,000 00
71.	do Increased accommodation at St. John, N. B.....	200,000 00

CANALS.

For works of construction, viz:

73.	Lachine Canal.....	1,600,000 00
74.	St. Lawrence Canals.....	1,000,000 00
75.	Welland Canal.....	2,000,000 00
76.	Ste. Anne's Lock.....	200,000 00
77.	Carillon and Chute à Bloudeau.....	450,000 00
78.	Grenville Canal.....	400,000 00
79.	Rideau Canal.....	8,000 00
80.	Lock at Culbute Rapids.....	75,000 00
81.	Chambly Canal.....	10,000 00
82.	St. Peter's Canal.....	75,000 00
83.	Bay Verte Canal.....	1,000,000 00
84.	Miscellaneous work on Canals.....	20,000 00
		<hr/> 6,833,000 00

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, OTTAWA.

85	Library.....	80,000 00
	Tower.....	9,000 00
	Grounds.....	90,000 00
	Retaining walls, gates, footpaths, painting, &c.....	14,000 00
	Workshops.....	5,000 00
	Extension, West Block.....	100,000 00
	Improvement of Ventilation Parliament Building.....	7,125 00
	Fire walls, Water Service, Attics, and other Works inside buildings.....	70,000 00
		<hr/> 375,125 00

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS—CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

IMPROVEMENT OF NAVIGABLE RIVERS.

86	East River of Pictou.....	10,000 00	
	River St. John, N. B.....	6,000 00	
	St. Lawrence, removal of chains and anchors.....	15,000 00	
	Richelieu River, improvement of channel between St. Ours and Chambly Canal.....	10,000 00	
	Fraser River, removal of rocks.....	2,000 00	
	Improvement of Rivers.....	10,000 00	
	Miramichi S. W. Branch, improving channel above Railway Bridge.....	3,000 00	
			56,000 00

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

87.	Lake Superior and Red River Route.....	100,000 00
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PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Ontario.

88	Hamilton, Post Office.....	2,000 00	
	Immigration Station.....	2,500 00	
	Toronto, Custom House.....	78,000 00	
	Examining Warehouse.....	150,000 00	
	Ottawa, Post Office and ground.....	80,000 00	
	Kingston, Military School.....	50,000 00	
	Repairing fortifications.....	5,000 00	
	Immigration Station.....	2,500 00	
			370,000 00

Quebec.

89	Grosse Isle, Quarantine Station.....	17,000 00	
	Lévis, Immigrant Station.....	5,000 00	
	Marine Hospital.....	5,000 00	
	Repairing fortifications.....	12,000 00	
	Montreal, Post Office.....	93,000 00	
	Immigration Depot.....	1,500 00	
	Examining Warehouse.....	100,000 00	
			233,500 00

Resolutions 69, 70, 71, 73 and 74 being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

Resolution 75 being read a second time ;

Mr. *Kirkpatrick* moved, that the following words be added to the said Resolution:—"and this House deeming the enlargement of the Welland Canal so as to pass vessels drawing 14 feet of water, to be of national importance, and such as would greatly enhance the benefits now derived by the country from this Public Work, desires to record its opinion, that this enlargement should be made, provided the same can be executed at reasonable cost."

And objection having been taken to the proposed amendment,—Mr. Speaker decided, that it was out of Order, inasmuch as it asked for an increase of the public expenditure.

The said Resolution was then agreed to.

Resolutions 76 to 82, inclusive, being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

The consideration of Resolution 83 was postponed.

Resolutions 84 to 88, inclusive, being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

The consideration of Resolution 89 was postponed.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, on Wednesday, the 3rd instant, were reported, and are as follows:—

New Brunswick.

90	St. John, Post Office.....	65,000 00	
	Custom House.....	2,000 00	
	Miramichi or Middle Island, Quarantine Station.....	800 00	
			67,800 00

Nova Scotia.

91	{	Pictou, Custom House	16,000 00	
		Halifax, Quarantine Station.....	3,000 00	
		Sydney do	3,000 00	
		Yarmouth do	3,000 00	
		Sydney, Marine Hospital.....	11,000 00	
		Yarmouth do	5,000 00	
			<hr/>	41,000 00

Prince Edward Island.

92.	Souris Marine Hospital.....	2,000 00
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Manitoba.

93.	{	Custom House, Post Office, etc.....	50,000 00	
		Immigrant Depot.....	2,600 00	
			<hr/>	52,000 00

British Columbia.

94.	Public Buildings	15,000 00
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PENITENTIARIES.

95.	{	General Penitentiary for the Maritime Provinces.....	100,000 00	
		St. Vincent de Paul.....	25,000 00	
		Manitoba Penitentiary.....	119,000 00	
		British Columbia Penitentiary.....	100,000 00	
		Penitentiaries generally, additions and repairs.....	20,000 00	
			<hr/>	364,000 00

RENTS, REPAIRS, &c.

96.	{	Rents, repairs, furniture and heating, &c.....	170,000 00	
		Heating Public Buildings.....	40,000 00	
		Removal of snow, Public Buildings, Ottawa.....	3,500 00	
		Gas, Public Buildings, Ottawa.....	12,000 00	
		Allowance for fuel and light, Rideau Hall.....	5,000 00	
			<hr/>	230,500 00

HARBOURS AND BREAKWATERS.

Ontario.

97.	{	Kingston	Harbour, Lake Ontario.....	6,000 00	
		Cobourg	do do	35,000 00	
		Port Hope	do do	18,000 00	
		Port Stanley	do Lake Erie	7,000 00	
		Bayfield	do Lake Huron	34,000 00	
		Kincardine	do do	12,000 00	
		Owen Sound	do do	5,500 00	
		Port Darlington	do Lake Ontario.....	5,000 00	
		Port Burwell	do do	10,000 00	
		Chantry Island	do Lake Huron	106,000 00	
		Goderich	do do	150,000 00	
<hr/>					388,500 00

Quebec.

98.	{	Saguenay River Piers	2,000 00	
		Rivière du Loup (en haut).....	3,000 00	
			<hr/>	5,000 00

New Brunswick.

99.	{	Dipper Harbor.....	30,000 00	
		Point du Chêne.....	12,000 00	
		Richibucto Harbour.....	11,000 00	
		Shippegan Breakwater.....	10,000 00	
		St. John Harbour.....	120,000 00	
			<hr/>	183,000 00

Nova Scotia.

100.	{ Meteghan Cove.....	5,000 00	<hr/>	151,500 00
	{ Liverpool.....	12,500 00		
	{ Jordan Bay	20,000 00		
	{ Oak Point.....	15,000 00		
	{ Pictou Landing.....	25,000 00		
	{ Trout Cove.....	4,000 00		
	{ Cow Bay, C. B.....	50,000 00		
	{ Ingonish South, C. B.....	10,000 00		
	{ Mabou Harbor, C. B.....	10,000 00		

Prince Edward Island.

101.	{ New London	1,000 00	<hr/>	8,250 00
	{ Tignish.....	7,250 00		

TELEGRAPH LINES.

102.	Subsidy to Western Union Telegraph Company, British Columbia.....	4,000 00
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SLIDES AND BOOMS.

103.	{ River Trent District.....	1,200 00	<hr/>	32,200 00
	{ Ottawa River District.....	5,000 00		
	{ Rivière des Prairies.....	4,000 00		
	{ St. Maurice River District.....	22,000 00		

MISCELLANEOUS.

104.	Dredge Vessels.....	44,000 00	<hr/>	219,500 00
105.	Dredging.....	110,500 00		
106.	Miscellaneous works not otherwise provided for.....	10,000 00		
107.	Surveys and Inspections.....	45,000 00		
108.	Arbitrations and Awards.....	10,000 00		

INDIANS.

154.	{ Payments of annuities under Treaty No. 3	15,250 00	<hr/>	
	{ do do No. 4	24,500 00		
	{ Agricultural implements do No. 3	10,000 00		
	{ do do No. 4	10,000 00		
	{ Ammunition and Twine do No. 3	1,500 00		
	{ do do No. 4	750 00		
155.	Provisions for Indians assembled to receive annuities under above men- tioned treaties.....	21,000 00	<hr/>	
156.	Clothing and other items to chiefs under the above treaties.....	5,000 00		

MISCELLANEOUS.

168.	{ Salaries and expenses of the Council for the Northwest Territories.....	}	33,800 00
	{ Miscellaneous expenses in the North-West, not otherwise provided for.....		

COLLECTION OF REVENUES.

179.	{ Intercolonial and other Government Railways in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	1,358,000 00
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60. Resolutions 90 to 108, inclusive, and 154, 155 and 156 being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

The consideration of Resolution 168 was postponed.

Resolution 179 being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence, letters or telegrams between the Government and the proprietors of land in the vicinity of the proposed enlargement of the Lachine Canal from the 1st March, 1874, to the 1st March, 1875; also, all orders given to Engineers as to information to be given to such proprietors and all requests for information made to the Government or Engineers, and all Reports made to the Department of Public Works between above dates, relating to the right of way requisite for enlargement of Lachine Canal.

Mr. *Mackenzie* [Lambton]—On Thursday next—That the House shall meet for the remainder of the Session on Saturdays at 3 o'clock and that the measures of the Government shall have precedence on the Orders of the Day.

Mr. *Cartwright*—On Wednesday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider certain Resolutions to increase the salaries of the Civil Service of Canada as provided in the "Act respecting the Civil Service of Canada."

No. 23.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 9TH MARCH, 1875.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF COMMONS

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No. 24.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 10TH MARCH, 1875.

Twenty-one Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of Ekfrid, of the Municipal Council of the Township of South Sherbrooke, and of *Thomas Nichol* and others, of the Township of Beekwith, County of Lanark; of *John Higginbotham* and others, of the Township of Artemesia and Proton, of the Municipal Council of the Township of Artemesia, of the Municipal Council of St. Vincent, of *F. R. Fawcett* and others, of Heathcote, and of *James Latter* and others, of the Township of Collingwood, County of Grey; of the Reverend *A. Edwards* and others, of East Zorra, and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Blenheim, County of Oxford; of *Josias Greene* and others, of the Township of Arran, of *William Carry* and others, of Elderslie, of the Municipal Council of the Township of Elderslie, and of *Donald Cameron* and others, of Saugeen, County of Bruce; of the Council of the Municipality of Kingsley Falls, County of Drummond; of the Reverend *W. C. Henderson* and others, of Stratford, and of the Municipal Council of the Town of Mitchell, County of Perth; of *James Jarvis* and others, of Madoc, County of Hastings; of *Alexander McLeod* and others, of Alberton, County of Prince, Prince Edward Island; of *A. M. Hamilton* and others, of the Township of Mariposa, County of Victoria; of *B. A. Fleming* and others, of Trafalgar (Postville) County of Halton; of *J. E. Edmondson* and others, of the Township of Essa, of *James Harris* and others, of the Township of Innisfil, and of the Municipal Council of the Township of West Gwillimbury, County of Simcoe; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Whitechurch, County of York; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Onondaga, of the Municipal Council of the Township of Berford, and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Oakland, County of Brant; of *John Cooney* and others, of Chinguacousy, County of Peel; of *D. F. Burk* and others, of Seguen Falls, Township of Muskoka; of *Robert Clark, sen.*, and others, of the Village of New Edinburgh, County of Russell; of *Eliza Jane Elliott* and others, of Kitley, County of Leeds; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Clarke, County of Durham; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Sarnia, of *Jeannie Nichol* and others, of *Paul Jarvis* and others, of the Township of Bosanquet, of *Luke James* and others, of Sarnia Indian Reserve, and of *A. Shepherd* and others, of the Township of Plympton, County of Lambton; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of Sir *A. T. Galt* and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the Mutual Insurance Company of Canada to that of The Dominion Mutual Life Assurance Society, and for further amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *Alexander Muir* and others, of Port Dalhousie; praying that the depth of water in the enlarged Welland Canal may be increased, so that the largest class of vessels employed on the Upper Lakes, may pass freely downward to Lake Ontario, be now read and received,

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the granting the prayer of this Petition would involve the expenditure of public money, it cannot be received.”

Mr. *Jetté* introduced a Bill (No. 86) to change the name of the Montreal Permanent Building Society, to that of "The Montreal Savings and Loan Company," and to extend the powers thereof.—Second reading to-morrow.—

Mr. *Buell* introduced a Bill (No. 87) respecting the Canada Central Railway Company.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), presented,—Return to Address of the 17th ult; for copies of all special rates granted for freight on the Intercolonial Railroad; giving names of person or persons obtaining the same, and dates.

And,—Return to Address of the 17th ult., for all papers and correspondence connected with the contract for supplies to the Intercolonial Railroad, from the 1st June, to the 31st December, 1874, of Cars, Trucks, Bar Iron and Railway materials; together with copies of tenders, giving names and dates.

Mr. *De Cosmos* moved, that it is desirable that the Western Union Telegraph Company be informed that the Government expect, in return for the subsidy granted to the Company, greater regularity in the transmission of messages between Victoria and San Francisco than has hitherto existed; and that better provision be made to secure secrecy in the transmission of despatches through their office in Victoria.

And that the attention of the Government be also directed to the importance of making better provision for the regular transmission of despatches with greater secrecy, than now obtains over the Government telegraph line, between Victoria and Barkerville.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

Mr. *Blain* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency, for copies of Returns of Reports of Surveys of the St. Lawrence River, and the probable estimates of improving the navigation of the River to twelve feet of water, and also of fourteen feet of water.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

A Message was received from the Senate with the following Bill of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired:—

No. 88, intituled: "An Act respecting Copyrights." (On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow.)—

7:30 P.M.

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.*)

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to Committees, as follows:—

To the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:

No. 49. To incorporate the Manitoba and North-West Permanent Building Society.

No. 53. To incorporate the Canadian Steam-users' Association.

No. 57. To incorporate the Anglo-French Steamship Company.

No. 61. To incorporate the National Insurance Company.

To the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines:

No. 50. Respecting the Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company.

No. 51. To incorporate the St. Lawrence Bridge Company.

No. 52. To incorporate a Company to construct, own, and operate a Railway from Red River, in the Province of Manitoba, to a point in British Columbia on the Pacific Ocean.

To the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills:

No. 82, from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Gas Lighting Company."

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Costigan's* proposed motion,—and which motion was—"That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty representing that it is essential to the peace and prosperity of the Dominion of Canada that the several Religions therein prevailing should be followed in perfect harmony by those professing them in accord with each other; and that every law passed by this Parliament, or by the Local Legislatures disregarding the rights and usages tolerated by any one of such Religions, is of a nature to destroy that harmony. That the Local Legislature of New Brunswick in 1871, adopted a law respecting common schools, forbidding the imparting of any religious education to pupils, and that that prohibition is opposed to the sentiments of the entire population of the Dominion in general, and to the religious convictions of the Roman Catholic population in particular; that the Roman Catholics of New Brunswick cannot conscientiously send their children to schools established under such law, and are nevertheless compelled, like the remainder of the population, to pay taxes to be devoted to the maintenance of such schools; that the said law is unjust, and contrary to the spirit of the Constitution, and causes much uneasiness among the Roman Catholic population disseminated throughout the whole Dominion of Canada, and that such a state of affairs, if continued, is likely to prove the cause of disastrous results to all the Confederate Provinces; and praying that Her Majesty will be pleased to cause an Act to be passed amending "The British North American Act," by providing that the Roman Catholic inhabitants of New Brunswick, who are in a minority in that Province, shall have the same rights, privileges and advantages with respect to separate or dissential schools, and the same exemptions from taxation for the support of public or common schools as are now respectively enjoyed and possessed by the Roman Catholic minority of Ontario, and the Protestant minority of Quebec."

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), moved in amendment, that all words after "That" be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof:—"in the opinion of this House, Legislation by the Parliament of the United Kingdom encroaching on any powers reserved to any one of the Provinces by "The British North America Act, 1867," would be an infraction of the Provincial Constitutions; and that it would be inexpedient and fraught with danger to the autonomy of each of the Provinces for this House to invite such Legislation."

Mr. *Cauchon* moved in amendment, to the said proposed amendment, to add the following words at the end thereof:—That on the 29th day of May, 1872, the House of Commons adopted the following Resolution:—

"This House regrets that the School Act recently passed in New Brunswick is unsatisfactory to a portion of the inhabitants of that Province, and hopes that it may be so modified during the next Session of the Legislature of New Brunswick, as to remove any just ground of discontent that now exists."

That this House regrets that the hope expressed in the said Resolution has not been realized.

That an humble Address be presented to Her Most Gracious Majesty, The Queen, embodying this Resolution, and praying that Her Majesty would be graciously pleased, to use Her influence with the Legislature of New Brunswick, to procure such a modification of the said Act, as shall remove such grounds of discontent.

And a Debate arising thereon:

Mr. *Costigan* moved, that the said Debate be adjourned; which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS: Messieurs

Baby,	DeCosmos,	Hurteau,	Montplaisir,
Bécharé,	Dosjardins,	Jones [<i>Leeds</i>],	Mousseau,
Bonrassa,	Domville,	Kirkpatrick,	Orton,
Bowell,	Donahue,	Lanthier,	Quimet,
Brooks,	Dugas,	Little,	Palmer,
Cameron [<i>Cardwell</i>],	Farrow,	Macdonald [<i>Kingston</i>],	Pinsonneault,
Caron,	Ferguson,	McDonald [<i>Cape Breton</i>],	Plumb,
Cheval,	Fiset,	McDougall [<i>Three-Rivers</i>],	Pope,
Cimon,	Flesher,	Macmillan,	Robitaille,
Colby,	Fraser,	McCallum,	Rochester,
Costigan,	Gaudet,	McQuade,	Rouleau,
Conpal,	Gill,	Masson,	Thompson [<i>Cariboo</i>],
Currier,	Greenway,	Mitchell,	Wallace [<i>Norfolk</i>],
Cushing,	Haggart,	Moffat,	White, and
Cuthbert,	Harwood,	Monteith,	Wright [<i>Ottawa</i>].—60.

NAYS: Messieurs

Appleby,	Cockburn,	Killam,	Pouliot,
Archibald,	Coffin,	Kirk,	Power,
Aylmer,	Cook,	Lafamme,	Pozor,
Bain,	Davies,	Laird,	Ray,
Barthe,	Dawson,	Lajoie,	Richard,
Bernier,	Delorme,	Landerkin,	Roscoe,
Bertram,	De St. Georges,	Langlois,	Ross [<i>Durham</i>],
Biggar,	DeVeber,	Laurier,	Ross [<i>Middlesex</i>],
Blackburn,	Devlin,	Macdonald [<i>Cornwall</i>],	Ross [<i>Prince Edward</i>],
Blain,	Dymond,	Macdonald [<i>Glenarry</i>],	Rymal,
Blake,	Ferri,	Macdougall [<i>Elgin</i>],	Seatcherd,
Borden,	Fleming,	McDougall [<i>Renfrew</i>],	Scriver,
Borron,	Flynn,	MacKay [<i>Cape Breton</i>],	Shibley,
Bowman,	Forbes,	McKay [<i>Colchester</i>],	Sinclair,
Boyer,	Fournier,	Mackenzie [<i>Lambton</i>],	Skinner,
Brouse,	Fréchette,	Mackenzie [<i>Montreal</i>],	Smith [<i>Peel</i>],
Brown,	Galbraith,	MacLennan,	Smith [<i>Westmoreland</i>],
Buell,	Gibson,	McCraney,	Snider,
Bunster,	Gillies,	McGregor,	Stirton,
Burk,	Gillmor,	McIntyre,	St. Jean,
Burpee [<i>St. John</i>],	Gordon,	Melsaie,	Taschereau,
Burpee [<i>Sunbury</i>],	Goudge,	Metcalfe,	Thibaudeau,
Cameron [<i>Ontario</i>],	Hall,	Mills,	Thompson [<i>Haldimand</i>],
Campbell,	Holton,	Moss,	Tremblay,
Carmichael,	Horton,	Murray,	Trow,
Cartwright,	Huntington,	Norris,	Vail,
Casey,	Irving,	Oliver,	Wallace [<i>Albert</i>],
Casgrain,	Jetté,	Paterson,	Wilkes,
Cauchon,	Jodoin,	Pelletier,	Wood,
Charlton,	Jones [<i>Halifax</i>],	Perry,	Yeo, and
Church,	Kerr,	Pickard,	Young.—124.

And a further Debate arising,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

THURSDAY, 11th March, 1875.

And the question being put on the amendment to the said proposed amendment; it was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS :
Messieurs.

Archibald,
Aylmer,
Bain,
Béchar,.
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blackburn,
Blain,
Blake,
Borron,
Bourassa,
Bowman,
Boyer,
Brouse,
Brown,
Bueil,
Bunster,
Burk,
Cameron [*Ontario*],
Campbell,
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Cauchon,
Charlton,
Cockburn,
Coffin,
Cook,

Cushing,
Delorme,
De St. Georges,
Devlin,
Donahue,
Dymond,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Flynn,
Fournier,
Frechette,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibson,
Gillies,
Gillmor,
Gordon,
Greenway,
Hagar,
Hall,
Holton,
Horton,
Huntington,
Irving,
Jetté,
Jodoin,
Jones [*Halifax*],
Kerr,
Kilam,

Laflamme,
Lajoie,
Landerkin,
Langlois,
Laurier,
Macdonald [*Cornwall*],
Macdonald [*Glengarry*],
Macdougall [*Elgin*],
McDougall [*Renfrew*],
MacKay [*Cape Breton*],
Mackenzie [*Lombton*],
MacLennan,
McCraney,
McGregor,
McIntyre,
McIsaac,
Metcalf,
Mills,
Mitchell,
Moss,
Murray,
Norris,
Oliver,
Paterson,
Pelletier,
Perry,
Pouliot,
Pozer,

Ray,
Richard,
Ross [*Durham*],
Ross [*Middlesex*],
Ross [*Prince Edward*],
Ryan,
Rymal,
Sestcherd,
Schultz,
Scriver,
Shibley,
Skinner,
Smith [*Peel*],
Smith [*Selkirk*],
Snider,
Stirton,
St. Jean,
Taschereau,
Thibaudeau,
Thompson [*Haldimand*],
Thomson [*Welland*],
Tremblay,
Trow,
Vail,
Wilkes,
Wood,
Yeo, and
Young.—114.

NAYS :
Messieurs

Appleby,
Baby,
Barthe,
Borden,
Bowell,
Brooks,
Burpee [*St. John*],
Burpee [*Sunbury*],
Carmichael,
Caron,
Cheval,
Church,
Cimon,
Colby,
Costigan,
Coupal,
Currier,
Cuthbert,
Dawson,

Desjardins,
DeVeber,
Domville,
Dugas,
Farrow,
Ferguson,
Ferris,
Flesher,
Forbes,
Fraser,
Gaudet,
Gill,
Goudge,
Hagart,
Harwood,
Hurteau,
Jones [*Leeds*],
Kirk,

Kirkpatrick,
Laird,
Lanthier,
Little,
Macdonald [*Kingston*],
McDonald [*Cape-Breton*],
McDougall [*Three Rivers*],
McKay [*Colchester*],
Mackenzie [*Montreal*],
MacMillan,
McCallum,
McQuade,
Masson,
Moffatt,
Monteith,
Montplaisir,
Mousseau,
Orton,

Ouimet,
Palmer,
Pickard,
Pinsonneault,
Plumb,
Pope,
Robitaille,
Rochester,
Roscoe,
Rouleau,
Sinclair,
Smith [*Westmoreland*],
Thompson, [*Cariboo*],
Wallace [*Albert*],
Wallace [*Norfolk*],
White,
Wright [*Ottawa*], and
Wright [*Pontiac*].—73.

And the question being put on the amendment, as amended;

Mr. Baby moved in amendment, to the main motion as amended, that all the words after "That" be left out, and the following inserted thereof:

"This House regrets that the position of the Roman Catholic minority in the Province of New Brunswick, with regard to their educational rights, is such as to cause great dissatisfaction to a large portion of Her Majesty's subjects in the Dominion;

That this House is of opinion that any legislation which will restore harmony among persons professing different religions and remove any feeling of uneasiness now existing among any portion of Her Majesty's subjects is greatly to be desired;

That by Resolutions passed by the House of Commons on the 30th May, 1872, it was regretted that the School Act recently passed in New Brunswick was unsatisfactory to a portion of the inhabitants of that Province and hoped that it would be so modified as to remove any just ground of discontent;

That this House re-affirming the spirit of said Resolutions, regrets that the privileges enjoyed at the time of the Union, by the Roman Catholics of New Brunswick, in respect of religious education in the Common Schools were not secured to them by the British North America Act; and is of opinion, that the extension to the Roman Catholic minority of New Brunswick of the same rights and privileges, as are enjoyed by the Roman Catholic minority in Ontario, and the Protestant minority in Quebec would allay the uneasiness and dissatisfaction existing in the minds of the Roman Catholics of Canada, and thus be productive of good to the whole Dominion.—

That therefore an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty's the Queen embodying these Resolutions and praying that she may be pleased to take such steps as will lead to the legislation necessary to secure to the Roman Catholic minority of New Brunswick the same rights, privileges and advantages with respect to schools and the same exemption from taxation for the support of public or common schools as are now respectively enjoyed and possessed by the Roman Catholic minority in Ontario and the Protestant minority in Quebec."

Mr. Speaker stated that The House having just passed the amendment to the amendment, proposed by Mr. *Cauchon*, the words of that amendment must now stand as part of the question. It is not in order to move that those words, or any of them, be struck out. The amendment now proposed by Mr. *Baby* cannot properly form another part of the same question, inasmuch as it is in part a repetition of the motion just passed, and in part inconsistent with it. I therefore decide this motion to be out of order.

The question being then put on the amendment, as amended; it was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Archibald,
Aylmer,
Bain,
Béchar, *de*
Bernier,
Bertram,
Biggar,
Blackburn,
Blain,
Blake,
Borron,
Bourassa,
Bowman,
Boyer,
Brown,
Buell,
Bunster,
Burk,
Burpee [*St. John*],
Cameron [*Ontario*],
Campbell,
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Cauchon,
Charlton,
Cockburn,
Coffin,
Cook,
Cushing,
Delorme,

De St. Georges,
De Veber,
Devlin,
Donahue,
Dymond,
Ferguson,
Fiset,
Fleming,
Flynn,
Forbes,
Fournier,
Fréchette,
Galbraith,
Geoffrion,
Gibson,
Gillies,
Gilmour,
Hagar,
Hall,
Holton,
Horton,
Huntington,
Irving,
Jetté,
Jodoin,
Jones [*Halifax*],
Kerr,
Killam,
Lafamme,
Laird,

Lajoie,
Landerkin,
Langlois,
Laurier,
Little,
Macdonald [*Cornwall*],
Macdonald [*Glengarry*],
Macdougall [*Elgin*],
McDougall [*Renfrew*],
MacKay [*Cape Breton*],
Mackenzie [*Lambton*],
MacLennan,
McCrane,
McGregor,
McIntyre,
McIsaac,
Metcalfe,
Mills,
Mitchell,
Moffat,
Moss,
Murray,
Norris,
Oliver,
Palmer,
Paterson,
Pelletier,
Perry,
Pouliot,
Pozer,

Ray,
Richard,
Ross [*Durham*],
Ross [*Middlesex*],
Ross [*Prince Edward*],
Ryan,
Rymal,
Seatcherd,
Schultz,
Scriver,
Shibley,
Skinner,
Smith [*Peel*],
Smith [*Selkirk*],
Smith [*Westmoreland*],
Snider,
Stirton,
St. Jean,
Taschereau,
Thibaudeau,
Thompson [*Haldimand*],
Thomson [*Welland*],
Tremblay,
Trow,
Vail,
White,
Wilkes,
Wood,
Yeo, and
Young.—121.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Appleby,
Baby,
Barthe,
Borden,
Bowell,
Brooks,
Burpee [*Sunbury*],
Carmichael,
Caron,
Cheval,
Church,
Cimon,
Colby,
Costigan,
Coupal,
Currier,

Cuthbert,
Dawson,
Desjardins,
Dugas,
Farrow,
Ferris,
Flesher,
Fraser,
Gaudet,
Gill,
Gordon,
Goudge,
Haggart,
Harwood,
Hurteau,

Jones [*Leeds*],
Kirk,
Kirkpatrick,
Lanthier,
Macdonald [*Kingston*],
McDonald [*Cape Breton*],
McDougall [*Three Rivers*],
McKay [*Colchester*],
Mackenzie [*Montreal*],
Macmillan,
McCallum,
McQuade,
Masson,
Monteith,
Montplaisir,

Mousseau,
Orton,
Onimet,
Pickard,
Pinsonneault,
Plumb,
Pope,
Robitaille,
Rochester,
Rouleau,
Thompson [*Cariboo*],
Wallace [*Albert*],
Wallace [*Norfolk*],
Wright [*Ottawa*], and
Wright [*Pontiac*].—61.

And the question being put on the main motion, as amended; it was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Archibald,	De St. Georges,	Lajoie,	Ray,
Aylmer,	De Veber,	Landerkin,	Richard,
Bain,	Devlin,	Langlois,	Koss [<i>Durham</i>],
Béchar,	Donahue,	Laurier,	Ross [<i>Middlesex</i>],
Bernier,	Dymond,	Little,	Ross [<i>Prince Edward</i>],
Bertram,	Ferguson,	Macdonald [<i>Cornwall</i>],	Ryan,
Biggar,	Fiset,	Macdonald [<i>Glengarry</i>],	Rymal,
Blackburn,	Fleming,	Macdougall [<i>Elgin</i>],	Seateherd,
Blain,	Flynn,	McDougall [<i>Renfrew</i>],	Schultz,
Blake,	Forbes,	MacKay [<i>Cape Breton</i>],	Scriven,
Borron,	Fournier,	Mackenzie [<i>Lambton</i>],	Shibley,
Bowman,	Fréchette,	Maelennan,	Skinner,
Boyer,	Galbraith,	McCrancy,	Smith [<i>Peel</i>],
Brouse,	Gedfrion,	McGregor,	Smith [<i>Selkirk</i>],
Brown,	Gibson,	McIntyre,	Smith [<i>Westmoreland</i>],
Buell,	Gillies,	Melssac,	Snider,
Burk,	Gilmor,	Metcalfe,	Stirton,
Burpee [<i>St. John</i>],	Hagar,	Mills,	St. Jean,
Cameron [<i>Ontario</i>],	Hall,	Mitchell,	Taschereau,
Campbell,	Holton,	Moffat,	Thibaudeau,
Cartwright,	Horton,	Moss,	Thompson [<i>Haldimand</i>],
Casey,	Huntington,	Murray,	Thomson [<i>Welland</i>],
Casgrain,	Irving,	Norris,	Tremblay,
Cauchon,	Jetté,	Oliver,	Trow,
Charlton,	Jodoin,	Palmer,	Vail,
Cockburn,	Jones [<i>Halifax</i>],	Paterson,	Wilkes,
Coffin,	Kerr,	Pelletier,	Wood,
Cook,	Killam,	Perry,	Yeo,
Cushing,	Lafamme,	Pouliot,	Young.—119.
Delorme,	Laird,	Poser,	

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Dawson,	Kirk,	Orton,
Baby,	Desjardins,	Kirkpatrick,	Ouimet,
Barthe,	Dugas,	Lanthier,	Pickard,
Bowell,	Farrow,	Macdonald [<i>Kingston</i>],	Pinsonneault,
Brooks,	Ferris,	McDonald [<i>Cape Breton</i>],	Plumb,
Burpee [<i>Sunbury</i>],	Flesher,	McDougall [<i>Three Rivers</i>],	Pope,
Carmichael,	Fraser,	McKay [<i>Colchester</i>],	Robitaille,
Caron,	Gaudet,	Mackenzie [<i>Montreal</i>],	Rochester,
Cheval,	Gill,	Macmillan,	Rouleau,
Cimon,	Gordon,	McCallum,	Sinclair,
Colby,	Goudge,	McQuade,	Thompson [<i>Cariboo</i>],
Costigan,	Haggart,	Masson,	Wallace [<i>Albert</i>],
Coupal,	Harwood,	Monteith,	Wallace [<i>Norfolk</i>],
Carrier,	Hurteau,	Montplaisir,	Wright [<i>Ottawa</i>],
Cuthbert,	Jones [<i>Leeds</i>],	Mousseau,	Wright [<i>Pontiac</i>].—60.

Mr. *Cauchon* moved, that a Select Committee be appointed, composed of Messrs. *Cauchon*, *Blake*, *Jetté*, *Flynn*, *Jones*, (*Halifax*), *Gilmor*, and *Langlois* to draft an Address to Her Majesty founded on the said Resolution.

Mr. *Costigan* moved in amendment, that the said Committee be instructed to add the following to the proposed Address:—"but this House reserves to itself the right to seek by Address to Her Majesty, an amendment of 'The British North America Act, 1867;' should the present motion prove insufficient to bring about an amendment of the New Brunswick School Law, satisfactory to the minority of that Province."

And objection having been taken to this motion,— Mr. Speaker decided as follows:—

"The House has ordered an Address within a certain scope, and I do not think it is competent now to make a motion, asking The House to depart from the Resolution which it has just affirmed."

Mr. *Cauchon's* motion for the appointment of a Select Committee was then agreed to.

Mr. *Cauchon*, from the said Committee, then reported the draft of an Address, and the same being read a second time, was agreed to, and is as follows:—

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty:

Most Gracious Sovereign:

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the Dominion of Canada, in Parliament assembled, humbly approach Your Majesty for the purpose of representing:

That in the opinion of this House, Legislation by the Parliament of the United Kingdom encroaching on any powers reserved to any one of the Provinces by "The British North America Act, 1867," would be an infraction of the Provincial Constitutions; and that it would be inexpedient and fraught with danger to the autonomy of each of the Provinces for this House to invite such Legislation.

That on the 29th day of May, 1872, the House of Commons adopted the following Resolution:—

"This House regrets that the School Act recently passed in New Brunswick is unsatisfactory to a portion of the inhabitants of that Province, and hopes that it may be so modified during the next Session of the Legislature of New Brunswick, as to remove any just ground of discontent that now exists."—

That this House regrets that the hope expressed in the said Resolution has not been realized.

That we most humbly pray that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to use the influence of Your Majesty with the Legislature of New Brunswick, to procure such a modification of the said Act, as shall remove such grounds of discontent.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *Cauchon*, an Address was noted to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to transmit the foregoing Address of this House to Her Majesty, in such a way as His Excellency may deem fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed and presented to His Excellency, by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

The House then adjourned at 2:50 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Wallace* (Norfolk)—On Monday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to consider the following Resolutions:

1. That money is a creation of Governments.
2. That as it is the sole right, it is equally the duty of Governments, to create all money and to allow nothing that circulates among the people in lieu thereof to be issued either by individuals or Corporations.
3. That the uses of money are to measure, represent and facilitate the exchange of values.
4. That the truest monetary system is the one which provides money of the least intrinsic value.
5. That the present system tends to restrict industry, degrade labour and create misery.

Mr. *Plumb*—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying that he will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House all papers and information whatever relative to the dismissal or suspension of *John B. Smith* from the employment of the Government on the Welland Canal.

Mr. *Mackay* (Cape Breton)—On Friday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Return of the number of Tons of Coal imported into Canada during the past year from the United States.

Mr. *Taschereau*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—

1st. Whether the Government have taken civil proceedings against *P. G. Huot*, late Postmaster for the City of Quebec, and against his sureties for the amount of his defalcations; and if so, to what point such proceedings have reached, and what hope the Government has of reimbursing itself;

2nd. If any grounds for criminal proceedings against the said *P. G. Huot* exists, and when it is the intention of the Government to commence such proceedings?

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Monday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the following Resolution:—

That in the opinion of this House the commercial interests of the country will be best served by enlarging the Welland Canal so as to pass vessels drawing 14 feet of water and thus allow the largest class of vessels navigating the Upper Lakes to descend into Lake Ontario, whereby a large share of the vast Western carrying trade and the benefits accruing therefrom will undoubtedly be secured to Canada.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton)—On Friday next—BILL entitled “An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories.”

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton)—On Friday next—BILL relating to the “Northern Railway Company.”

Mr. *Irving*—In Committee of the Whole on certain Resolutions proposed to be moved by Mr. *Blake* on the subject of the power of confirming or disallowing Acts of the Local Legislature conferred on the Governor General by the “British North America Act, 1867,” and in amendment thereto:—

That all the words after “Canada” in the said Resolution be struck out, and the following inserted:—

That inasmuch as it is enacted by the 92nd clause of the said Statutes, that the Legislatures of the several Provinces may exclusively make laws in relation to matters coming within the classes of subjects therein enumerated, this House does not claim the right of interference in such matters; but in the exceptional cases referred to in the 93rd clause of the said Statute, wherein the right of the Parliament of Canada to make remedial Laws in certain cases of Provincial Legislature is conceded, this House declares its determination to hold Ministers, in all such cases, responsible for the action of His Excellency the Governor General.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Friday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government would entertain any proposition for the sale of the Harbour of Little Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, for the same reasons as they have purchased the Breakwater at Cow Bay, and if not, whether the Government would grant a subsidy to extend that Harbour and make it a Harbour of Refuge for vessels drawing over seventeen feet of water?

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the respective Committees *on or after Wednesday, the 17th instant* :—

Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

- No. 49. To incorporate the Manitoba and North-West Permanent Building Society.
- No. 53. To incorporate the Canadian Steam Users' Association.
- No. 57. To incorporate the Anglo-French Steamship Company.
- No. 61. To incorporate the National Insurance Company.

Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines

- No. 50. Respecting the Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company.
- No. 51. To incorporate the St. Lawrence Bridge Company.
- No. 52. To incorporate a Company to construct, own, and operate a Railway from Red River, in the Province of Manitoba, to a point in British Columbia on the Pacific Ocean.

The following Bill was this day posted for consideration by the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills *on or after Thursday the 11th instant* :—

- No. 82 From the Senate, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Gas Lighting Company."
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No. 24.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 10TH MARCH, 1875.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 11TH MARCH, 1875.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) presented,—Return to Address of the 31st March, 1874, for a statement of the number of persons killed or injured on the different Railroads of Canada, the cause of the accident, the amount of claims paid for any such accident; also the names of the persons so killed or maimed since the opening of each of those Railroads.

Also,—Return to Address of the 18th May, 1874; for copies of any correspondence between the Dominion Government, and the Government of Prince Edward Island, concerning the contract for the construction of the Railway on the Island, and handing over the same to the Government; and also all correspondence between the contractors, the Local Government or the Dominion Government, or either of them, regarding the substitution of Wire fencing, for the fencing provided for in the contract.

And also,—Return to Address of the 17th ult.: for a copy of the *Memorandum* of the Chief Engineer of the Canadian Pacific Railway, referred to in a Report of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by the Governor General, on the 7th June, 1873.

Mr. *Laird* presented,—Return to Address of the 1st instant; for Returns respecting that portion of the Missisagua Indian Tribe, now settled upon Seugog Island.

1st. For the amount invested by the Dominion Government on their behalf in the lands which said Indians now occupy.

2nd. For the amount of all other funds originally received from and invested in behalf of said Indians, with the several annual additions thereto:—showing how said funds are invested; at what rate of interest, and the several annual payments, or donations made by Government to them, since the first receipt, and investment of said funds in the Indians' behalf.

Eleven Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *Joshua Irvine* and others, of the Township of Lobo, County of Middlesex; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Seneca; of *E. E. Archibald* and others, of the Province of Nova Scotia; of the Municipal Council of Clarendon and Miller, County of Frontenac; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Nottawasaga; of the Municipal Council of the Village of Trenton; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Derby, and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Sarawak, County of Grey; of *G. Watson* and others, of the Township of Nepean, and of *Neelin Garland* and others, of Goulburn, County of Carleton; of the Reverend *C. Tetter* and others, of Trafalgar, County of Halton; of the Essex County Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars; of *John Edwards* and others, of the Township of Binbrook, County of Wentworth; of *E. Flerwelling* and others, of the Township of Nichol, County of Wellington; of *J. W. Keetch* and others, of Orangeville; of the Municipal Council of the Village of Port Perry; of the Municipal

Council of the Township of Mara, County of Ontario; of *J. H. Flagg* and others, of the Town of Mitchell, and of the Municipal Council of the Town of Bowmanville; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *D. Brown* and others, of the District of Muskoka; praying that any measure brought before Parliament having for its object the amalgamation of the Northern Extension Railways Company with the Northern Railway Company, may be granted.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *Thomas B. White* and others, of the County of Essex; praying that a small duty may be imposed upon building and limestone imported into Canada, be now read and received.

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the prayer of this Petition involves a public charge, it cannot be received, unless recommended by the Crown.”

Mr. *MacLennan*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the first Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 26) to incorporate the *Intelligencer* Printing and Publishing Company, *with amendments*.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), the seventh Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, in relation to the publication of the Debates in both languages, was concurred in.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the second Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 25) to incorporate the Lower Ottawa Boom Company, *with amendments*.

On motion of Mr. *Farrow*, Messrs *Fraser* and *Greenway* were added to the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization.

Mr. *Jetté* introduced a Bill (No. 89) to make further provision respecting the constituting and management of Building Societies in the Province of Quebec.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, to-morrow, to consider certain proposed Resolutions to increase the salaries of the Civil Service of Canada, as provided in the “Act respecting the Civil Service of Canada.”

On motion of Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland), The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, to-morrow, to consider certain proposed Resolutions with respect to the powers and authorities of the Trinity House of Quebec.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) it was *Resolved*, That The House shall meet for the remainder of the Session on Saturdays, at 3 o'clock P. M., and that Government business shall have precedence on the Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. *Kirkpatrick*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of all correspondence, letters or telegrams between the Government and the proprietors of land in the vicinity of the proposed enlargement of the Lachine Canal, from the 1st March, 1874, to the 1st March, 1875; also,—all orders given to Engineers as to information to be given to such proprietors and all requests for information made to the Government or Engineers, and all Reports made to the Department of Public Works between above dates, relating to the right of way requisite for enlargement of Lachine Canal.

The Order of the Day, for the consideration of the amendments made in Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 11) to amend the Act for the regulation of the Postal Service, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Macdonald* (Glengarry), the said Order was discharged, and the Bill re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, further amended, reported, amendments concurred in, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.

The Resolution adopted in Committee of the Whole on the 9th instant, respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed mariners, was reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland), then introduced a Bill (No. 90) to amend the Act 31 Vict., cap. 64, respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed mariners.—Second reading to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 68) to amend “The Immigration Act of 1872,” was considered in Committee of the Whole; and progress having been reported, the Committee obtained leave to sit again, this day.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider certain proposed Resolutions, to authorize the collection of duty in certain cases, from the Masters of ships carrying passengers or emigrants from any Port in Europe, to any Port in Canada.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That it will conduce to the promotion of Immigration to Canada in view of combinations

or unions of owners of lines of steam vessels, to fix uniform rates of emigrant passages, by creating monopoly between ports in Europe and ports in Canada and the Northern United States, to authorize the Governor General by order in Council, published by Proclamation in the *Canada Gazette*, to collect in certain cases, a duty from the Master of every ship arriving at any port in Canada, from any port in Europe with passengers or emigrants therefor.

2. *Resolved*, That such duty not to exceed *two dollars* for every passenger or emigrant above the age of one year to be landed in Canada.

3. *Resolved*, That such duty only to be collected at such times as shall be specified by Proclamation.

4. *Resolved*, That "the Immigration Act of 1872" should be amended in the sense of the foregoing Resolutions.

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, read a second time and agreed to and referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 63) to amend the Immigration Act of 1872, which was considered again, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions respecting the salaries proposed to be paid to the officers mentioned in Bill (No. 35) respecting Penitentiaries and the Inspection thereof, and for other purposes.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

Resolved: That it is expedient to provide—

That the annual salaries of the officers mentioned in Bill No. 35 respecting Penitentiaries and the inspection thereof and for other purposes be fixed at the rates following; that is to say:—

Inspector, not exceeding	\$2,000
Warden, not exceeding.....	2,600
and not less than.....	\$1,000
Deputy Warden, not exceeding.....	1,400
and not less than.....	600
Chief Keeper, not exceeding.....	800
and not less than.....	500
Chaplains, each, not exceeding	1,200
and not less than.....	400
Assistant Chaplains, not exceeding.....	500
and not less than.....	300
Surgeon, not exceeding.....	1,200
and not less than.....	400
Accountant, not exceeding.....	1,000
and not less than.....	500
Schoolmaster, not exceeding.....	600
and not less than.....	250
Storekeeper, not exceeding	700
and not less than	400
Steward, not exceeding	650
and not less than.....	400
(If the above two offices be combined, the salary may be that of the Storekeeper.)	
Trade Instructor, not exceeding	700
and not less than.....	500
Keeper, not exceeding.....	500
and not less than.....	400
Guard, not exceeding.....	450
and not less than.....	350
Other Male Servants, not exceeding per day.....	1
Matron, not exceeding.....	500
and not less than.....	250
Deputy Matron, not exceeding.....	300
and not less than.....	200
Assistant Deputy Matron, not exceeding.....	250
and not less than	175
School Mistress, not exceeding.....	250
and not less than.....	129

Officers of Rockwood Asylum.

The Medical Superintendent, not exceeding	2,000
and not less than.....	1,600

2. *Resolved*: That it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, to fix such salaries and allowances to the officers of the Rockwood Asylum other than the Medical Superintendent, as the Governor may from time to time think reasonable, regard being had to the number of insane persons confined in the Asylum, and to the officer's length of service.

3. *Resolved*: That every convict under sentence for life or for not less than two years, upon his discharge, either by expiration of sentence or otherwise, shall be furnished at the expense of the Penitentiary with a suit of clothing other than prison clothing, and with such sum of money as shall be sufficient to pay his travelling expenses to the place at which he received his sentence, and such other sum in addition not exceeding *twenty dollars*, as the Warden may deem proper.

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

The Bill (No. 35) respecting Penitentiaries, and the Inspection thereof; and for other purposes, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole (and the Resolutions just concurred in on the same subject, referred to the said Committee).—The said Bill was then reported without amendment, read a third time, and passed.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider certain proposed Resolutions, respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient so to amend the Act respecting certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships as to make it apply to ships over eighty tons register, and to ships going to sea on a voyage to any port or place out of Canada.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to make provision for the Examination of Masters and Mates of Inland and coasting ships, as regards ships of over eighty tons register, and voyages commenced after the first day of April, 1876.

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland) then introduced a Bill (No. 91) to amend the Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships.—Second reading to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz.:—

No. 79 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting Procedure in Criminal Cases, and other matters relating to Criminal Law."

No. 80 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to make further provisions respecting the Central Prison for Ontario."

No. 81 from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the more speedy trial, before Police and Stipendiary Magistrates, in the Province of Ontario, of persons charged with felonies or misdemeanors."

The House resumed the further consideration of Resolutions 83 and 89, reported from Committee of Supply on the 2nd instant.

Resolution 83 being again read, as follows:—

83. Bay Verte Canal..... \$1,000,000 00

Mr. *Hackenzie* (Lambton) moved, that the said Resolution be not now concurred in, but that it be reduced to \$20,000, which was agreed to.

Resolution 89, being read a second time, was agreed to.

A Message was received from the Senate, with the following Bill of their own (No. 92) intituled: "An Act to provide for the amalgamation of the Niagara District Bank with the Imperial Bank of Canada," to which the concurrence of this House was desired. (On motion of Mr. *Plumb*, read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow.)

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Bunster*—On Wednesday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to consider a Resolution recommending that voting by ballot by Members of this House on questions therein arising, is preferable to the present mode.

Mr. *Bunster*—On Monday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to take into consideration a Resolution recommending compulsory voting in this House by Members thereof.

Mr. *Domville*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any, and what sum was paid by the Fredericton Branch Railroad, or by *Temple & Burpee*, or either of them, or by any other parties, as payment or deposit for the purchase of certain Ordnance Lands at Fredericton, N. B.?

Mr. *Domville*—On Saturday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all papers, correspondence, telegrams or Orders in Council connected with the sale of certain Ordnance Lands at Fredericton, N. B., to the Fredericton Branch Railroad Company, or to *Temple & Burpee*, or other parties, and all papers, correspondence, telegrams and Orders in Council connected with the cancelling of said sale; also the memorial from the Corporation of Fredericton, N. B., praying for the sale to be cancelled.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton)—On Saturday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the following Resolutions:

1. That it is expedient to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories, the Government thereof, the Administration of Justice therein, and other matters relating thereto.

2. That it is expedient to provide that salaries, not exceeding the following amounts per annum, may be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada to the following officers to be appointed under the Act to be passed in the behalf aforesaid:—

To the Lieutenant-Governor, not exceeding.....	\$7,000
To each Stipendiary Magistrate, not exceeding.....	3,000
To two Members of Council, each, not exceeding	1,000
To the Clerk of the Council, who shall also act as and perform the duties of Secretary to the Lieutenant-Governor, not exceeding	1,800
To the Clerk of the Court of each District do	500
To the Sheriff for the said Territories do	1,200
To a Registrar of deeds for the same, (to be recouped by Fees in Registration) not exceeding.....	2,000

Mr. *Kirkpatrick*—On Saturday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to consider the following Resolutions:—

That the exercise of the power of pardoning and commuting sentences passed on criminals convicted by any court within the Dominion is an important act of the Crown affecting the internal Government of Canada.

That it appears from the despatch of His Excellency the Governor General to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated January 18th, 1875, and laid before this House that His Excellency was pleased in the case of *Ambroise Lepine*, sentenced to death by the Chief Justice of Manitoba, to dispense with the advice of his responsible ministers, and exercise the Queen's Prerogative according to his own judgment by commuting the sentence to imprisonment for two years in gaol and the permanent forfeiture of his political rights.

That his Excellency being within the limits of his Government the representative of the Sovereign is responsible to the Imperial authorities alone.

That it appears from the papers laid before this House, that no advice was tendered to His Excellency the Governor General by his responsible Ministers as to the exercise of the prerogative of mercy in the case of *Ambroise Lepine*.

That it is an undoubted principle of the Constitution, under which Canada is now governed, that the advisers of the Representative are, and of right must be held to be responsible to Parliament for every act of the Executive affecting the internal Government of the country, including the exercise of the prerogative of mercy.

That therefore the present advisers of the His Excellency the Governor General are, and must be held to be responsible for His Excellency's action in commuting the sentence passed on *Ambroise Lepine*.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether any and what correspondence has taken place between the Government of Canada and her Majesty's Government in reference to the measure about to be introduced into the British Parliament, by the last named Government, in relation to British Merchant Shipping; also, whether a remonstrance has been made to the British Government against any legislation of the British Parliament affecting Canadian Shipping in the direction indicated by Mr. *Plimsoll*, or otherwise seriously affecting our shipping without the approval of the Parliament of Canada.

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Saturday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for all papers, despatches, minutes of Council and correspondence had with Her Majesty's Government in relation to the legislation which was under the consideration of the Imperial Parliament in relation to British Merchant

shipping from 1871 to the end of 1874, in connection with the so-called Plimsoll movement; also in connection with the proposed Legislative measure in relation to merchant shipping at present proposed by Her Majesty's Government; also, all papers, minutes of Council and despatches had between the Government of Canada and Her Majesty's Government, protesting against any Legislation being had by the Imperial Parliament which would affect Canadian shipping.

Mr. *Bernier*—On Monday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to consider the following Resolution:—

That it is expedient to amend the 28th section of the Act 31 Viet., Cap. 55, respecting Trade Marks and Industrial Designs, by striking out the words, "On every application to register a design or trade mark, including certificate, \$5.00," and substituting the following in lieu thereof:—

" On every application to register a trade mark.....	\$5 00
" On every application to register an industrial design for five years.....	5 00
" On every application to register a design for ten years.....	10 00
" On every application to register a design for fifteen years.....	15 00
" On every application for an extension of registration for five years.....	5 00
" On every application for an extension of registration for ten years.....	10 00
" The certificate of registration being included in every case."	

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OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 12TH MARCH, 1875.

Fifteen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada; praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the International Bridge Company, may become law.

Of *Arthur M. Jarvis* and others; praying for certain Amendments to the Act incorporating the Empire Fire and Marine Insurance Company of Canada.

Of *Thomas McGreevy* and others, shareholders of the St. Lawrence Navigation Company (steam); praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of their Company to that of the St. Lawrence Steam Navigation Company, and for further Amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *Sévère Thérberge*, Esquire, and others, of St. Joseph District of Beauce, Province of Quebec; praying for the dismissal and removal of Honorable *Joseph Noël Bossé*, one of the Judges of the Superior Court for the Province of Quebec.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of Eramosa, County of Wellington; of *Robert Tripp* and others, of Edwardsburgh, and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Edwardsburgh, County of Grenville; of *Ruben Stedman* and others, of Elmsley and Drummond, County of Lanark; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Tuckersmith; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Bruce; of the Rev. *H. J. Clarke* and others, of White Lands, County of Kings, and of *George W. Milner* and others, of Queens County, Prince Edward Island; of the Municipality of the County of Victoria, and of *J. L. Simpson*, M.D., and others, of the Province of New Brunswick; of the Municipal Council of the Township of North Crosby, County of Leeds; of the Municipal Council of the County of Simcoe; of the Municipal Council of the Town of Collingwood; of the Municipal Council of the Town of Niagara, County of Lincoln; of the Municipal Council of the Village of Dresden; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Mariposa, County of Victoria; and of the Municipal Council of the Village of Arnprior, County of Renfrew; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Holton, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the third Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 42) to incorporate the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company, with amendments.

Mr. Macdougall (Elgin) introduced a Bill (No. 94) to authorize the "Canada Southern Railway Company" to acquire the "Erie and Niagara Railway;" and for other purposes.—Second reading on Monday next.

On motion of *Mr. Ross* (Middlesex) a Select Committee was appointed, composed of Messrs. *Ross* (Middlesex), *Cauchon*, *Tupper*, *Dymond* and *Bowell*, to make all necessary arrangements concerning the publication of the Debates for the next Session, and to report to The House with all convenient speed.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) introduced a Bill (No. 95) respecting the Intercolonial Railway.—Second reading on Monday next.

Also,—a Bill (No. 93) to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories.—Second reading on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), the Journals of this House, of Saturday, the 23rd May, 1874, respecting the Government lien on the Northern Railway Company of Canada, were read as follows:—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to make provision for the release of the Government lien on the Northern Railway of Canada, on the following conditions:—

1st. That the said Company or any Company which may be organized under an Act of the present Session shall pay to the Government a sum of One hundred thousand Pounds Sterling.

2. *Resolved*, That the sum of £50,000 second Preference Bonds now held by the Government, and a further sum of £50,000 third Preference Bonds held by the Government, shall hold their present rank and priority in any re-arrangement that may be made.

3. *Resolved*, That the accrued interest on the said second Preference Bonds shall be paid under the terms of the several Acts relating to the said Railway.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) then moved for leave to introduce a Bill to re-arrange the capital of the Northern Railway Company of Canada, to enable the said Company to change the gauge of its Railway, to amalgamate with the Northern Extension Railways Company, and for other purposes.

And objection being taken on the ground, that some of the provisions of this Bill were of a private nature, and should be dealt with under the Rules relating to Private Bills.

Mr. Speaker decided, that the point of Order was well taken, and that the Bill could not be introduced as a Public Bill.

The Bill was then, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Resolution, adopted in Committee of Supply on Friday, the 5th instant, was reported, and is as follows:—

72. Pacific Railway..... \$6,250,000.00

And the said Resolution being read a second time, and a Debate arising, at 6 o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker adjourned The House until half-past seven P.M.

7.30 P. M.

(*The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 12.*)

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz:—

No. 26. To incorporate the *Intelligencer* Printing and Publishing Company.

No. 25. To incorporate "The Lower Ottawa Boom Company."

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to Committees, as follows:—

To the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

No. 58. To incorporate "The Canada Land Investment Guarantee Company, (limited)."

No. 60. Further to amend the Act 14 and 15 *Vict.*, Cap. 36, incorporating "The Canada Guarantee Company."

No. 69. To incorporate the Dominion Railways Equipment Company.

No. 71. To amend the Act 57 and 38 *Vict.*, Cap. 115, incorporating "The Intercolonial Express Company."

No. 92. From the Senate, intitled: "An Act to provide for the amalgamation of the Niagara District Bank with the Imperial Bank of Canada."

To the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

No. 87. Respecting the Canada Central Railway Company.

The House resumed the Debate on the second reading of Resolution 72, as reported from the Committee of Supply, on Friday, the 5th instant,

And a Debate arising thereon,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight:

SATURDAY, 13TH MARCH, 1875.

And the Debate continuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. *Tupper*, adjourned.

And a Message was received from the Senate, with the two following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired, viz:—

No. 96 intitled: "An Act still further to amend 'The Patent Act of 1872,' and to extend the same, as amended, to Prince Edward Island." (On motion of Mr. *Laird* read the first time.—Second reading at the next meeting of the House, this day.)

No. 97 intitled: "An Act for the relief of *Henry William Peterson*."

Also,—communicating to the House the evidence and documents whereon is founded the last mentioned Bill.

Mr. Maclellan moved, that the said Bill be now read the first time; which was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Coffin,	Laird,	Palmer,
Archibald,	DeCosmos,	Lauderkin,	Paterson,
Aylmer,	Dymond,	Macleongal (<i>Elgin</i>),	Ray,
Bain,	Farrow,	McDougall [<i>Renfrew</i>],	Ross [<i>Durham</i>],
Bertram,	Ferguson,	MacKay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ross [<i>Middlesex</i>],
Biggar,	Ferris,	McKay [<i>Colchester</i>],	Rymal,
Blackburn,	Fleming,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Smith (<i>Peel</i>),
Borden,	Fletcher,	Mackenzie (<i>Montreal</i>),	Smith (<i>Selkirk</i>),
Borron,	Forbes,	Maclellan,	Snider,
Bowell,	Gillies,	McCallum,	Sturton,
Bowman,	Gillmor,	McCraney,	Thompson (<i>Garth</i>),
Brouse,	Gordon,	McGregor,	Thomson [<i>Welland</i>],
Buell,	Goudge,	McGill,	Trow,
Burk,	Greenway,	Mills,	Wallace [<i>Alber</i>],
Burpee, (<i>St. John</i>),	Hagar,	Mitchell,	White,
Carmichael,	Haggart,	Moffat,	Wilkes,
Casey,	Kerr,	Monteith,	Wood,
Charlton,	Killara,	Norris,	Wright (<i>Ponawac</i>),
Church,	Kirk,	Oliver,	Young.—78.
Cockburn,	Kirkpatrick,		

NAYS :

Messieurs

Baby,	Desjardins,	Jones, (<i>Halifax</i>),	Pelletier,
Béchar, d,	De St. Georges,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Pinsonneault,
Bernier,	Dugas,	Lajoie,	Pouliot,
Bunster,	Fiset,	Langlois,	Richard,
Caron,	Flynn,	Lauthier,	Robillard,
Casgrain,	Fournier,	Laurier,	Robitaille,
Cauchon,	Fraser,	McDonald [<i>Cape Breton</i>],	St. Jean,
Cheval,	Fréchette,	Macmillan,	Taschereau,
Cimon,	Gaudet,	Masson,	Tremblay,
Coupal,	Harwood,	Montplaisir,	Wallace [<i>Norfolk</i>],
Cuthbert,	Hartean,	Quinet,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>).—46.
Delorme,	Irving,		

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

Mr. Maclellan moved, that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee; which was agreed to on the same division.

The said Bill was then referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. Maclellan, Bowell, Cameron (Cardwell), Kerr, Kirkpatrick, Oliver, Stirten, Trow and Young, with power to send for persons and papers; and the evidence and documents whereon the said Bill is founded, was also referred to the said Committee.

The House then adjourned at 2:25 A. M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Taschereau*—On Monday next—That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messrs. *Blake, Cauchon, Cameron* (Cardwell), and Messrs. *Mackay* (Cape Breton), *Langlois, Scatcherd, Mousseau, McDonnell* (Inverness), *Laflamme, Kirkpatrick, Jetté, Moss, Baby, Appleby* and *Brooks* be appointed to enquire into the administration of Justice in the District of Beauce and Montmagny, in the Province of Quebec, and that the Petition of *Serere Thèberge*, Esquire, Advocate, and others of the Parish of St. Joseph, Beauce, praying for the impeachment and removal of the Honorable Judge *Bosse* be referred to the same Committee for their report, with power to send for persons, papers and records and report from time to time.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—On Monday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the following Resolutions:—

That it is expedient to amend "The Pilotage Act, 1873," by providing

1. That sub-section 5 of section 57 be repealed, with the proviso referring to it at the end of the section, and by enacting, that ships registered in Canada of such description and size not exceeding two hundred and fifty tons register, as the Pilotage authorities of the District, with the approval of the Governor in Council, shall from time to time determine, shall be exempt from the compulsory payment of pilotage in such District.

2. That for any of the offences mentioned in section 71, the pilot shall be liable to suspension or dismissal by the Pilotage authorities of the District, and on any evidence which they may deem sufficient whether he has or has not been found guilty of misdemeanor.

3. That sections 11 and 16 authorizing the appointment by the Governor of Secretary and Treasurer for the Halifax and St. John Pilot Commissioners, be repealed and providing instead thereof, that all Pilotage authorities may, with the sanction of the Governor in Council, appoint a Secretary and Treasurer, and pay such salary or remuneration out of pilotage dues received by them as they may see fit, and may with such sanction and out of such funds pay any other necessary expenses of conducting the Pilotage business of the District.

Mr. *Schultz*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for an approximate return of the receipts for sales of land in Manitoba from January 1st, 1874, to 31st December, 1874; also the receipts for Customs and Inland Revenue during the same period.

Mr. *McIsaac*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to have Harbour Au Bouche dredged next summer; and if so, how early in the season shall the work be commenced?

Mr. *Frechette*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government soon to determine the site for the construction of the proposed Graving Dock for the Port of Quebec; and whether they intend in this matter to trust to the Report of the Engineers, Messrs. *Kimble* and *Morris*?

Mr. *Frechette*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to establish a Custom House within the limits of the Town of Levis?

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were posted for consideration by the respective Committees *on or after Friday the 19th instant*:—

Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:—

No. 58. To incorporate "The Canada Land Investment Guarantee Company, (limited.)."

No. 60. Further to amend the Act 14 and 15 *Vict.*, Cap. 36, incorporating *The Canada Guarantee Company*.

No. 69. To incorporate the Dominion Railways Equipment Company.

No. 71. To amend the Act 37 and 38 *Vict.*, Cap. 115, relating to the Interecolonial Express Company.

Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines:—

No. 87. Respecting the Canada Central Railway Company.

The following Bill was posted for consideration by the Select Standing Committee on *Banking and Commerce*, *on or after Monday, the Fifteenth instant*.

No. 92. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to provide for the amalgamation of the Niagara District Bank with the Imperial Bank of Canada."

No. 26.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 13TH MARCH, 1875.

Eight Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *Richard Strachan* and others, of the Township of Proton, County of Grey ; of the Grand Worthy Patriarch and the other office-bearers of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance of the Province of Nova Scotia ; of *John R. Campbell* and others, of the Township of Ekfrid, County of Middlesex ; of *B. S. Snyder* and others, of Port Elmsley, County of Lanark ; of Reverend *Thomas Woolsey* and others, of Rama Indian Village, County of Ontario ; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Paickenham ; of *Thomas Harding* and others, of the Township of Lanark, County of Lanark ; of *Wentworth Scarlett* and others, of the Township of Dawn, County of Bothwell ; of *Thomas Hammill* and others, of the Village of Merriton, County of Lincoln ; and of *Isaac Fry* and others, of South Cayuga, County of Haldimand ; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the eighth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

The Committee have examined the notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz :—Of Sir *A. T. Galt*, and others, of the City of Montreal ; for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of the Mutual Insurance Company of Canada, to that of “The Dominion Mutual Life Assurance Society,” and for further amendments to their Act of incorporation ;—and of *A. M. Jarvis* and others ; for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the Empire Fire and Marine Insurance Company of Canada.

On the Petition of *T. McGreevy* and others, shareholders of the St. Lawrence Navigation Company (Steam); for the passing of an Act empowering them to change the name of their Company to that of the "St. Lawrence Steam Navigation Company," and for further amendments to their Act of incorporation, the Committee find that the notice was published in the *Canada Gazette* only two weeks, and in no local papers; but as no private rights can be affected by the measure, other than those of the Petitioners, they therefore recommend a suspension of the Rule in this case.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the second Report of the said Committee, the Report of their Sub-Committee, appointed to enquire into the expenditure for Penitentiaries and Prison Inspection, and especially for the purchase of a Quarry and a house for the Warden at *St. Vincent de Paul*; together with the evidence taken by them.

COMMITTEE ROOMS, HOUSE OF COMMONS,
OTTAWA, 11th March, 1875.

The Sub-Committee appointed to inquire into the expenditure for Penitentiaries and Prison Inspection, and especially into the purchase of a Quarry and a House for the Warden at *St. Vincent-de-Paul*, beg leave to present their

FIRST REPORT.

Your Sub-Committee have taken evidence, which they append, on the two subjects especially referred to them.

With reference to the purchase of a quarry for the use of the Penitentiary at *St. Vincent-de-Paul*, it appears from the evidence adduced that the quarry in question was offered in writing to the Government by its original proprietor, Mr. *F. X. Auclair*, late in the month of November, 1872, for the sum of \$9,000; that no answer to this offer was received; that early in the following month of December, Mr. *E. H. Lemay* purchased the quarry from *Auclair* for the sum of \$9,000; that later in the same month of December, valuers were appointed by the Government or by the Directors of Penitentiaries, under instructions from the Minister of Justice, to report on the value of the quarry, which was variously estimated by these valuers at \$29,750 and at \$25,750; that the quarry was offered by *Lemay* to the Government for \$18,000, at which price it appears to have been finally accepted by the Government in the month of January, 1873, and a vote for the money was obtained at the next session of Parliament; that Mr. *C. A. Dansereau*, chief editor and co-proprietor of "*La Minerve*," a journal published in Montreal, took an active part in the negotiation of the sale of the quarry to the Government by *Lemay*, and in consideration of his supposed influence, or the influence of his firm and journal, he was to receive, individually, according to *Lemay's* evidence, but for his firm according to his (*Dansereau's*) own evidence one-sixth part of the profits arising from the transaction; that over and above this one-sixth share of the profits so stipulated for, *Dansereau* demanded of *Lemay* the sum of \$2,000 for the election fund, which he (*Dansereau*) says *Lemay* had previously agreed to pay, and that this demand was made pending the election in the County of Laval, in October, 1873, and the money was intended to be used in connection with that election; but it does not appear that *Lemay* ever paid this sum of \$2,000, or any portion thereof. It seems to be established beyond dispute, or doubt, that double the sum was paid for the quarry that it was offered and might have been purchased for; that the sale by *Lemay* was effected through the influence of *Dansereau* with the Government, and that a considerable portion of the sum paid for the quarry in excess of the price at which it was offered to the Government by *Auclair* was intended to be used in the promotion of elections in the interest of the political party then supporting the Government.

With respect to the purchase of a house as a residence for the Warden of the penitentiary, your Sub-Committee, without expressing any opinion as to the policy of, or the necessity for, buying a house, are nevertheless of the opinion that the evidence shows that the price paid for the one actually purchased was not excessive.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

L. H. HOLTON,
Chairman.

(For the evidence of this Report, see Appendix to the Journals.)

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Laubton) introduced a Bill (No. 98) respecting the lien of the Dominion on the Northern Railway of Canada.—Second reading on Monday next.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the second reading of Resolution 72 (Pacific Railway), as reported from the Committee of Supply yesterday.

Mr. *Tupper* moved that the said Resolution be amended by adding the following words thereto:—"That in view of the engagements entered into during the past season, between the Government of Canada and the Imperial Government and British Columbia, to build a Railway without delay from *Nainaimo* to *Esquimaux*, on Vancouver Island; to expend not less than \$2,000,000 per annum in British Columbia on the Canadian Pacific Railway, and to complete the construction of the line from the Pacific Ocean to the shores of Lake Superior in 15 years,—this House is of opinion that no time should be lost in beginning the Eastern portion of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and constructing it as rapidly as is consistent with a due regard to economy, from a point fixed by Parliament at a point near to and south of Lake Nipissing, westward to Lake Nipigon, and thence to Red River, commencing at Lake Nipigon and working eastward and westward, and that Government should employ the available funds of the Dominion in the first place in the completion of that great national work—a continuous Railway on Canadian territory by the shortest route from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean;" which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Brooks,	Farrow,	McDonald (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Pope,
Cameron, (<i>Cardwell</i>)	Ferguson,	McDougall (<i>Three Rivers</i>),	Robitaille,
Caron,	Flesher,	Macmillan,	Rouleau,
Cimon,	Fraser,	McCallum	Ryan,
Colby,	Gaudet,	McQuade,	Schultz,
Costigan,	Greenway,	Masson,	Thompson [<i>Cariboo</i>],
Currier,	Haggart,	Mitchell	Tupper,
Cuthbert,	Hurteau,	Monteith,	Wallace [<i>Norfolk</i>],
Desjardins,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Montplaisir,	White,
Domville,	Kirkpatrick,	Palmer,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>).—43.
Dugas,	Little,	Pinsonneault,	

NAYS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Coffin,	Lajoie,	Pozer,
Archibald,	Coupal,	Landerkin,	Ray,
Aylmer,	Dawson,	Langlois,	Richard,
Bain,	DeCosmos,	Laurier,	Robillard,
Béchar,	Delorme,	Macdonald (<i>Glenarry</i>)	Rochester,
Bernier,	De St. Georges,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Ross [<i>Durham</i>],
Bertram,	De Veber,	McDougall (<i>Renfrew</i>),	Ross [<i>Middlesex</i>],
Biggar,	Dymond,	MacKay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ross [<i>Prince Edward</i>],
Blackburn,	Ferris,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	Rymal,
Blake,	Fiset,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Seriver,
Borden,	Fleming,	Mackenzie (<i>Montreal</i>),	Sinclair,
Borron,	Flynn,	MacLennan,	Smith (<i>Peel</i>),
Bourassa,	Forbes,	McCraney,	Smith (<i>Selkirk</i>),
Bowman,	Fournier,	McGregor,	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Brouse,	Fréchette,	McIntyre,	Snider,
Brown,	Geoffrion,	Metcalfe,	Stirton,
Buell,	Gillies,	Mills,	St. Jean,
Burk,	Gillmor,	Moffatt,	Taschereau
Burpee, (<i>St. John</i>)	Gordon,	Moss,	Thibaudeau,
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Goudge,	Murray,	Thompson [<i>Haldimand</i>],
Campbell,	Hall,	Norris,	Tremblay,
Carmichael,	Horton,	Oliver,	Trow,
Cartwright,	Huntington,	Paterson,	Vail,
Casey,	Irving,	Perry,	Wallace [<i>Albert</i>],
Casgrain,	Jones (<i>Halifax</i>),	Pelletier,	Wilkes,
Cauchon,	Kerr,	Pettes,	Wood,
Charlton,	Killam,	Piekard,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>).—46.
Cheval,	Kirk,	Pouliot,	Yeo,
Church,	Laird,	Power,	Young.—117.
Cockburn,			

Mr. Masson moved in amendment that the said Resolution be not now concurred in, but that it be "Resolved, That in the opinion of this House no contract should be entered into with any Company for the construction of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway, nor any subsidy granted for the construction of a railway from the eastern terminus of said Pacific Railway to Douglas, or near Douglas, until a thorough and complete instrumental survey shall have been made of the route proposed, and of a route by the Mattawan, to ascertain which would be the shortest and the most economical construction."

And a Debate arising thereon, the said motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The said Resolution was then agreed to, and is as follows:—

72. Pacific Railway.....	\$6,250,000 00
<i>viz</i> :—	
Telegraph Line and construction of Roadway.....	\$1,000,000 00
Steel Rails and fastenings.....	2,000,000 00
Pembina Branch.....	500,000 00
Fort William to Shebandowan.....	500,000 00
Georgian Bay Branch.....	500,000 00
Esquimalt to Nanaimo.....	500,000 00
Mainland to Columbia.....	250,000 00
Locks at Fort Francis.....	150,000 00
Rainy Lake and Shebandowan.....	240,000 00
Manitoba and Saskatchewan.....	50,000 00
Steamers, River Saskatchewan, and improvements in Rapids.....	60,000 00
Lake of the Woods to Red River.....	500,000 00
	<hr/> \$6,250,000 00

Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton) moved, that this House do ratify the Order in Council, granting a subsidy to the Canada Central Railway under authority of "An Act to provide for the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway, 37 Victoria, Chapter 14," which Order is to the following effect:—

"COPY of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the 4th November, 1874.

"The Committee of Council have had under consideration the application of the Canada Central Railway Company for the subsidy proposed to be granted to Railway Companies under the terms of the Act, 37th Vic., cap 14, entitled "An Act to provide for the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway," and they advise that a subsidy of \$12,000 per mile be granted to the said Company, to aid in constructing their line from the vicinity of the Village of Douglas Westward to the Eastern end of the Branch Railway, proposed to be built from Georgian Bay by the Government, being about one hundred and twenty miles, upon and subject to the following conditions, namely:—

1st. That the road shall be built upon a line to be approved by the Minister of Public Works, but which may be defined generally as ascending the Valley of the Bonnechere from the vicinity of the Village Douglas via Golden Lake and Round Lake, thence by as direct a line as may be found to Burnt Lake, and thence to the proposed terminus of the Government Railway, at about the 85th mile from Georgian Bay.

2nd. That the Company shall within one month from the ratification of this Order in Council by the House of Commons, satisfy the Minister of Public Works that they have entered into a *bonâ fide* contract or contracts for the Building of the Railway, and have provided sufficient means with the Government bonus to secure the completion of the line on or before the first day of January, 1877, and also that the Company shall, from the date of such contracts, make continuously such progress as will justify the hope of the completion of the line within the time mentioned.

3rd. That the Company shall enter into an agreement to grant running powers on terms to be approved by the Governor in Council to the Northern Colonization Railway Company. The Kingston and Pembroke Railway Company from the point of intersection of their respective lines, provided such point of intersection is on the subsidized line or within five miles of the same, and also to such other Companies as may have the termini of their systems on or towards Lake Huron, and may be designated or approved by the Governor in Council as entitled to such running powers, provided that the terms of such running powers may be mutually agreed upon by the Canada Central Railway Company and the other Companies named, and in the event of a disagreement, the conditions shall be settled by arbitration, one arbitrator to be selected by each Company, and one by the Governor in Council.

4th. The Government or lessees of the Government line from Georgian Bay to the Western terminus of the subsidized line, or any future owners of said line, shall possess running powers on said Railway on similar terms to the Companies designated.

5th. That payment of the subsidy shall only be made on the completion of the railway in sections not less than twenty miles, each payment to be made on the certificate of an Engineer, to be appointed by the Government, that a section or sections has or have been completed; payment may, however, be made of an amount equal to the subsidy on twenty miles, on work extended over a larger distance, which in value will be equivalent to not less than twenty-five miles of finished roadway; payment will also be made on rails delivered at any point of the line to be constructed, to the extent of seventy-five per cent. of the value thereof, such rails to become the property of the Government until they are laid on the road for use.

The grant to be operative only after the ratification of this Order in Council by resolution of the House of Commons.

"Certified.

"W. A. HIMSWORTH,
"Clerk, Privy Council."

Mr. Masson moved in amendment, that all words after "That" be struck out, and the following inserted:—"Resolved, That in the opinion of this House, no contract should be entered into with any Company for the construction of the Georgian Bay Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway, nor any subsidy granted for the construction of a Railway from the Eastern Terminus of said Pacific Railway to Douglas, or near Douglas, until a thorough and complete instrumental survey shall have been made of the route proposed, and of a route by the Mattawan, to ascertain which would be the shortest and of the most economical construction," which was negatived on the following division:

YEAS :

Messieurs

Bunster,	Ferguson,	Maemillan	Robitaille,
Cameron (Cardwell),	Flesher,	McCallum,	Rouleau,
Caron,	Fraser,	McQuade,	Ryan,
Cimon,	Gaudet,	Masson,	Schultz
Costigan,	Haggart,	Mitchell,	Thompson (Cariboo),
Cuthbert,	Hurteau,	Monteith,	Tupper,
Desjardins,	Jones (Leeds),	Montplaisir,	Wallace [Norfolk],
Domville,	Little,	Palmer,	White,
Dugas,	McDonald [Cape Breton],	Pinsonneault,	Wright (Pontiac).—39.
Farrow,	McDougall (Three Rivers),	Pope,	

NAYS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Coupal,	Laird,	Power,
Aylmer,	Carrier,	Lajoie,	Pozer,
Bain,	Dawson,	Landerkin,	Ray,
Béchar,	Delorme,	Langlois,	Richard,
Bernier,	De St. Georges,	Laurier,	Robillard,
Biggar,	De Veber,	Macdonald (<i>Piengarry</i>),	Rochester,
Blackburn,	Dymond,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Blake,	Feris,	McDougall [<i>Renfrew</i>],	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Borden,	Fiset,	MacKay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ross (<i>Prince-Edward</i>),
Borron,	Fleming,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Scriver,
Bourassa,	Forbes,	Mackenzie (<i>Montreal</i>),	Sinclair,
Bowman,	Fournier,	MacLennan,	Smith [<i>Peel</i>],
Brouse,	Fréchette,	McCraney,	Smith (<i>Selkirk</i>),
Brown,	Geoffrion,	McGregor,	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Buell,	Gillies,	McIntyre,	Stirton,
Burk,	Gillmor,	Metcalf,	St. Jean,
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Gordon,	Mills,	Taschereau,
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Goudge,	Moffat,	Thibaudeau,
Campbell,	Greenway,	Moss,	Thompson [<i>Haldimand</i>],
Carmichael,	Hall,	Murray,	Tremblay,
Cartwright,	Horton,	Norris,	Trow,
Casey,	Huntington,	Oliver,	Vail,
Casgrain,	Irving,	Paterson,	Wallace [<i>Albert</i>],
Cauchon,	Jones, (<i>Halifax</i>),	Pelletier,	Wilkes,
Charlton,	Kear,	Perry,	Wood,
Cheval,	Killam,	Pettes,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>),
Church,	Kirk,	Pickard,	Yeo,
Cockburn,	Kirkpatrick,	Pouliot,	Young.—113.
Coffin,			

A Message was received from the Senate with the two following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence to this House was desired, viz. :—

No. 99, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Western Assurance Company and other Acts affecting the same, and to extend the powers of the said Company." (On motion of Mr. Young, read the second time.—Second reading on Monday next.)

No. 100, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Canada Car and Manufacturing Company." (On motion of Mr. Young, read the first time.—Second reading on Monday next.)

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Killam—On Tuesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all correspondence between the Government or the Intercolonial Railway Commissioners and any other person on the subject of a scow or barge loaded with stone for the Intercolonial Railway, and sunk near the mouth of Pictou Harbor; also copy of receipt for money paid, if any, for the said barge; also statement of any claims upon the Government for damages to any vessel by striking upon the said barge.

Mr. Delorme—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to provide means to prevent the gratuity given to the veterans of 1812-13-14 and 15 from falling into the hands of jobbers or speculators to the detriment of these old militia men.

Mr. Laird—On Monday next—BILL entitled “an Act to amend an Act respecting the appropriation of certain Dominion Lands of Manitoba.

Mr. DeCosmos—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government intend to carry out the agreement made by the Dominion Government with the Government of British Columbia, namely:—The agreement made by the Hon. Mr. Tilley, Minister of Finance, on behalf of the Dominion Government, with Mr. DeCosmos on behalf of the Government of British Columbia, to grant, in aid of the construction of a Graving Dock at Esquimaux, the sum of £50,000 sterling to British Columbia, in lieu of the guarantee of interest in Section twelve of the Terms of Union with that Province, and which agreement was subsequently agreed to and confirmed by the Hon. Mr. Mackenzie, Premier and Minister of Public Works, on behalf of the Dominion Government; and if the Government do not intend to carry out the said agreement, what are their reasons for refusing to carry it out?

Mr. DeCosmos—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he may be pleased to lay before this House at the earliest moment possible, copies of all correspondence with the Government of British Columbia or with any person on behalf of that Government respecting the construction of a first class Graving Dock at Esquimaux; also copies of any Order in Council on the same subject; and also copies of the correspondence with enclosures between the Secretary of State and Mr. DeCosmos in 1874, respecting the said Graving Dock; also a copy of the Resolution submitted to the House by the Government during the last Session of Parliament respecting the said Dock; also a copy of the first Bill submitted to Parliament last Session, to carry out the object of the said Resolution, and also a copy of the Act of last Session providing for aid in construction of said Dock, in lieu of the guarantee of interest in section twelve of the Terms of Union with British Columbia.

No. 27.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF COMMONS

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No. 28.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 15TH MARCH, 1875.

Six Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Quebec and Gulf Ports Steamship Company; praying for certain Amendments to the Pilot Act of 1873.

Of the Northern Extension Railways Company, praying that any measure brought before Parliament having for its object the amalgamation of their company with the Northern Railway Company, may be granted.

Of *Michael Burk* and others, and of the Reverend *Patrick McGoe* and others, of the Township of Hall, County of Ottawa; of *Andrew Kellough* and others, of Gore, County of Hants; of *James H. Monhorn* and others, of Sandy Cove, County of Digby; of *Robert Richards* and others, of West River, County of Pictou; and of *Jacob Giffin* and others, of Osborne and vicinity, County of Shelburne, all of Nova Scotia; of the Council of the Municipality of Onslow; of the Reverend *Burton B. Smith* and others, of Onslow, of the Reverend *Bartholomew Casey* and others, of North Onslow, of the Council of the Municipality of the Township of Bristol, of *William Grant* and others, of Clarendon, and of *A. W. Smith* and others, of Litchfield, County of Pontiac; of *Hugh Lypin* and others, of Southwold, County of Elgin; of the Reverend *J. V. Wilson* and others, of the Townships of Mulmur and Nottawasaga, County of Simcoe; of *James Major* and others, of Cornwall, of the County Lodge of British Templars, Lambton, and of *W. H. Stewart* and others, of the Township of Warwick and other places, County of Lambton; of the Reverend *George Jacques* and others, of the Saugeen Indian Village, County of Bruce; of *James Darker* and others, of Smithville, County of Lincoln; of *Aaron Beam* and others, of the Township of Windham, County of Norfolk; and of *C. C. Farrow* and others, of Osnabrock, County of Stormont; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Motion being made that the Petition of the St. Catherine's Board of Trade, and of *Alexander McBride* and others, of Port Burwell,—and the Petition of *John D. Mackay* and others, of Hamilton, severally praying that the depth of water in the enlarged Welland Canal may be increased, so that the largest class of vessels employed on the Upper Lakes, may pass freely downward to Lake Ontario, be now read and received.

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the granting the prayer of these Petitions would involve the expenditure of public money, they cannot be received.”

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the fourth Report of the said Committee, reporting the two following Bills, *with amendments*, viz.:—

No. 67. To consolidate and amend the several Acts respecting Insurance, in so far as regards Fire and Inland Marine business.

No. 32. To consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the Provincial Insurance Company of Canada.

Mr. *MacLennan* from the Select Committee on the Bill (No. 97) from the Senate, intituled "An act for the relief of *Henry William Peterson*," and the evidence and documents whereon the said Bill is founded, referred to the said Committee, reported as follows:—

The Committee have considered the said Bill, together with exemplifications of the proceedings to final judgment in the Court of Common Pleas for Upper Canada, now the Province of Ontario, in the case of *Henry William Peterson*, and the evidence adduced before the Senate in support of the said Bill, and all depositions taken before a Committee of the Senate, to which the said Bill was referred, with all exhibits therein referred to, and have agreed to report the said Bill, *without amendment*.

Mr. *Macdonald* (Glengarry) presented,—Return to Address of the 18th ult; for a copy of the contract entered into between *James King*, Esq. of Halifax, N. S., and this Government, for the purpose of running a steamer between Georgetown, P. E. I., and Pictou, N. S., during the winter season.

Mr. *Jetté* introduced a Bill (No. 161) to change the name of the "Mutual Insurance Company of Canada," to "The Dominion Life Assurance Company," and to amend their Act of incorporation.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Caron*, Rule 51 was suspended in relation to a Bill to change the corporate name of the St. Lawrence Navigation Company (Steam); and to confer on it certain powers.

He then introduced the Bill (No. 192).—Second reading on Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. *Caron*, Rule 51 was also suspended in relation to a Bill to incorporate the Quebec and Lake Huron Direct Railway.

He then introduced the Bill (No. 193).—Second reading on Wednesday next.

Mr. *Laird* introduced a Bill (No. 194) to amend "An Act respecting the appropriation of certain Dominion Lands of Manitoba."—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Carterwright* introduced a Bill (No. 195) further to amend the Civil Service Superannuation Act.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Fournier*, from the Select Committee on the Bill (No. 29) respecting Insolvency, reported the said Bill, *with amendments*.

The Bill (No. 42) to incorporate the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to Committees, as follows:—

To the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:—

No. 59. To incorporate "The Metropolitan Insurance Company of Canada."

No. 63. To incorporate the North Western Manufacturing Company.

No. 99. From the Senate intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Western Assurance Company, and other Acts effecting the same, and to extend the powers of the said Company."

No. 100. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Canada Car and Manufacturing Company."

To the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines:—

No. 66. To legalize and confirm certain agreements made between the Niagara Falls International Bridge Company, the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company, and the Great Western Railway Company.

No. 64. For granting further powers to the Montreal, Chambly and Sorel Railway Company, and to change its name.

To the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills:—

No. 75. To authorize *François Xavier Galarneau*, and others, to build a Bridge over L'Assomption River, in the Parish of L'Assomption.

On motion of Mr. *Burk*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of Engineer's Report, and all papers connected with the survey of Port Darlington Harbor.

On motion of Mr. *Yeo*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of the Reports of the Dominion Government Engineer appointed to survey and report upon Harbors and Breakwaters in Prince Edward Island.

On motion of Mr. *Burpee* (Sunbury), an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a Return of all decisions made since the 1st of January, 1875, by the Supreme Court of New Brunswick, with reference to the jurisdiction of the Local Government or Municipal authorities in that Province in granting or withholding licenses for the sale, or regulating the sale, of spirituous liquors.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for all correspondence with Boards of Trade or other parties, Minutes of Council, reports and papers, in relation to the effect of an Act entitled "*An Act respecting Pilotage*," having reference to the effect upon Trade and Navigation of the said Law, as effects collisions and the responsibility of pilots and owners of vessels in such cases.

Also,—a further Address, for all papers and correspondence, advertisements for Tenders, if any, with terms of renewal or extension of subsidy to Quebec and Gulf Ports Company for service between St. Lawrence and Pictou, showing for what special service that renewal or subsidy was given, also whether any other parties or companies intimated a desire to compete for the service.

On motion of Mr. *Robitaille*, it was *Resolved*, That the Report, with answers received since, of the Select Committee appointed to enquire as to the best and most direct route for the conveyance of mails and passengers between the Dominion of Canada and Europe, and the possibility of navigating the Gulf of the St. Lawrence during the winter months, etc., recommended by the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament to be printed, do form part of the Sessional Papers of this Session.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for copies of all correspondence, *Memoranda*, propositions, Reports to Council and Minutes of Council in relation to aiding the Chatham Branch Railway, or in connection therewith;

Also a further Address, for a statement in detail of the several amounts paid out by the Government for work actually performed on Section Sixteen of the Intercolonial Railway, from the time the work was taken out of the hands of the Contractor until the present time, with the names of the parties to whom sums were paid, and the particular duties performed therefor;

Also, a statement in detail of any other sums (if any) which have been paid by the Government in relation to said section, from the time the said Section was taken out of the Contractor's hands up to the present time, stating in detail the grounds for paying the same, and whether the amounts so paid (if any) were sanctioned by the Contractor before payment, and if not, what steps were taken by the Government to ascertain the correctness of such payments.

Also, any report of the officer in charge of said work, or others, in relation to the completion and condition of said section when completed.

Also, a statement in detail of all qualities of all work performed in Earth, Rock and Masonry on Section 16 of the Intercolonial Railway since that section was taken out of the hands of the contractor; also copies of all Orders in Council, Reports to Council, Orders of Commissioners, orders of *Charles J. Brydges*, orders of Mr. *Collingwood Schriber*, or other party connected with the completion of said work; and also in reference to the taking possession of the goods, houses, stables, plant and materials of the contractor.

On motion of Mr. *Tremblay*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a statement shewing the number of pieces of square timber, spars, masts, deals and boards exported, from the month of April, 1874, up to this date, from the Counties of Chicoutimi and Saguenay; the said statement to specify the kinds of timber, the quantity of each kind, the places where the timber was shipped, the names of the proprietors and of the agents of the establishments where the timber was exported.

On motion of Mr. *Wilkes*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of instructions given to Collectors of Customs in Ontario, to collect Montreal Harbour Dues, on all freight landed at the Port of Montreal; also a statement of the rate of Dues so levied, and the principle on which they are computed.

Also,—a further Address, for copies of all Orders in Council or other authority granted to certain American Steamboat proprietors, known as the "*Kitson Line*," to trade on the Red River in the Province of Manitoba—said Company being reputed to discriminate in its rates of freight against merchandize from the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, and to have a practical monopoly of the trade of the Red River.

On motion of Mr. *De Cosmos*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a copy of all correspondence between the Dominion Government and that of the United States, and between any person in British Columbia and the Dominion Government, respecting the right of entering fish-oils and fish of British Columbia, duty free, in the United States, under the twenty-first article of the Treaty of Washington, dated May 8, 1871; and all Minutes of Council.

On motion of Mr. *Galbraith*, a Select Committee was appointed, composed of Messrs. *Galbraith*, *Moss*, *Archibald*, *McDougall* (Renfrew), *Cockburn* and *Murray*, to investigate and report to this House upon the cause of certain alleged losses, said to have been sustained by *Alexander Youll*, of the Township of Ramsay, as prayed for in his Petition to Parliament; with power to send for persons and papers at the expense of said *Youll*.

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On motion of Mr. *Bertram*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a copy of instructions, issued to Postmasters in Cities, Towns and Villages, by the Postmaster General under authority of Sec. 42 of the Act 31 Vict., Cap. 10, with reference to dutiable goods brought into the Dominion through the Post Office.

On motion of Mr. *Fleming*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for Returns shewing the quantity and value of Salt, Coal, Coke, Wheat, Corn and other grains; Wheat and Rye Flour and Meal, exported from and imported into the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, from the 7th April, 1870, to the 1st April, 1871, with the amount of duties collected on these articles at each port of entry.

On motion of Mr. *Tremblay*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all Despatches sent by the Imperial Government since the 7th November, 1873, respecting the reference to Her Majesty's Privy Council, of the question of Separate Schools in the Province of New Brunswick, with a copy of the judgment rendered in the matter by the Honorable the Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. *Cimon*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for

1st. Copies of all documents relating to the appointment of *J. A. Hamel*, Esquire, of Malbaie, Physician, to vaccinate the Indians on the North Shore of the River St. Lawrence for the years 1868 and 1869; of the instructions furnished to him and of the Reports made by him during the said two years on the subject.

2nd. A statement shewing the number of Indians vaccinated by the said *J. A. Hamel* during the said two years; the accounts furnished by the said *J. A. Hamel* and the amount of money paid to him by the Government for the services rendered;

3rd. Copies of all communications sent to the Government by the Reverend Father *Arnault* and others, during the said years 1868 and 1869 in relation to the said *J. A. Hamel*.

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a copy of the Bill passed in the last Session of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, intituled: "An Act to divide in three parts the Registry Division of Montreal."

On motion of Mr. *Perry*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of correspondence which may have taken place between the Dominion Government and the Government of Prince Edward Island, with respect to the Land Purchase Act, 1874, passed by the Legislature of the Province of Prince Edward Island in 1874; also, Lord *Carnarvon's* Despatch on the same subject.

On motion of Mr. *Robitaille*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all papers, documents, letters and correspondence, having reference to the selection of the site for the construction of a Graving Dock in the Port of Quebec.

On motion of Mr. *Domville*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for all papers, correspondence, telegrams or Orders in Council connected with the sale of certain Ordnance Lands at Fredericton, N. B., to the Fredericton Branch Railroad Company, or to *Temple & Burpee*, or other parties, and all papers, correspondence, telegrams and Orders in Council connected with the cancelling of said sale; also the memorial from the Corporation of Fredericton, N. B., praying for the sale to be cancelled.

On motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for all papers, Despatches, Minutes of Council, and correspondence had with Her Majesty's Government in relation to the Legislation which was under the consideration of the Imperial Parliament in relation to British Merchant shipping from 1871 to the end of 1874, in connection with the so-called *Plimsoll* movement; also in connection with the proposed Legislative measure in relation to merchant shipping at present proposed by Her Majesty's Government; also, all papers, minutes of Council and despatches had between the Government of Canada and Her Majesty's Government, protesting against any Legislation being had by the Imperial Parliament which would affect Canadian shipping.

On motion of Mr. *DeCosmos*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, praying that he may be pleased to lay before this House at the earliest moment possible, copies of all correspondence with the Government of British Columbia or with any person on behalf of that Government respecting the construction of a first class Graving Dock at Esquimaux; also copies of any Order in Council on the same subject; and also copies of the correspondence with enclosures between the Secretary of State and Mr. *DeCosmos* in 1874, respecting the said Graving Dock; also a copy of the Resolution submitted to the House by the Government during the last Session of Parliament respecting the said Dock; also a copy of the first Bill submitted to Parliament last Session, to carry out the object of the said Resolution, and also a copy of the Act of last Session providing for aid in construction of said Dock, in lieu of the guarantee of interest in section twelve of the Terms of Union with British Columbia.

On motion of Mr. *Killam*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence between the Government or the Intercolonial Railway Commissioners and any other person on the subject of a scow or barge loaded with stone for the Intercolonial Railway, and sunk near the mouth of Pictou Harbor; also copy of receipt for money paid, if any, for the said barge; also statement of any claims upon the Government for damages to any vessel by striking upon the said barge.

Mr. *Casey* moved, that The House do go into Committee of the Whole, to-morrow, to consider the following Resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*,—That the present system of nomination to situations in the Civil Service is not the most convenient, nor the one best calculated to obtain efficient Public Officers.

2. *Resolved*,—That it would be expedient to substitute for it, as far as the exigencies of the Service will

allow, a system of open competitive examinations as a means of obtaining entrance into the Public Service. And a Debate arising thereon, the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

Mr. Ross (Middlesex) moved, that The House do go into Committee of the Whole, to-morrow, to consider the following Resolution:—

Resolved,—That during the Session of 1873 Petitions were presented to this House signed by 39,223 individuals praying for a Prohibitory Liquor Law; that during the Session of 1874 similar Petitions were presented, signed by 133,465 individuals; that Petitions were also presented by Municipal Corporations representing 478,756 persons; that Petitions were presented by the Legislative Assemblies of Ontario and New Brunswick and by various religious bodies all praying for a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

That Petitions signed by 349,294 persons were presented to the Honorable the Senate praying for the same.

That a Select Committee to whom the Petitions presented to this House were referred, in their Report dated May 8th, 1873, said:—

That the traffic in intoxicating liquors is an unmitigated evil—widespread in its effects—reaching with more or less virulence every class of the community, destroying and blighting with its baneful influence the existence of many of the most useful and promising members of society—producing untold domestic misery and destitution, and leading to the formation of habits alike opposed to the moral and intellectual advancement and prosperity of the country.

That in examining the answers received from the Sheriffs, Prison Inspectors, Coroners and Police Magistrates, one hundred and fourteen of whom have voluntarily given evidence, the Committee find that four-fifths of the crime committed in the Province of Ontario are directly or indirectly connected with the manufacture, sale and consumption of intoxicating liquors.

The Committee further find, on examining the reports of the Prison Inspectors for the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, that out of 23,289 commitments to the jails for the three previous years, 21,236 were committed either for drunkenness or for crimes perpetrated under the influence of drink."

That the Select Committee of the Senate, to whom the Petitions to that Honorable House were referred, in their Report bearing date May 14th, 1873, said:—

"The united unvarying testimony of all the Petitioners is that the vice of intemperance is spreading mainly in consequence of the facilities afforded for the sale of intoxicating liquors. That the traffic in these liquors is the prolific cause of three-fourths of the crime and pauperism in the country. That so long as the traffic is licensed and protected by law, the evils resulting from intemperance cannot be repressed, all the various attempts by stringent license laws having signally failed, and they therefore pray for absolute prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as beverages."

That Commissioners, by order of His Excellency the Governor General, were appointed during the Recess with instructions "to visit the States of the neighboring Union in which Prohibitory Laws are, or have been in force, to make an enquiry into the success which has attended the working of such Laws and to report, as well as on other essential facts connected therewith."

That after a very careful examination of those Laws in those States where the same were enforced it was clearly shewn that crime and pauperism were reduced and the moral, social and material interests of society very beneficially affected; but that the success of those laws was largely dependent upon the favor with which they were received by those for whose benefit they were enacted.

That in view of these facts it is the opinion of this House that a Prohibitory Liquor Law fully carried out, is the only effectual remedy for the evils inflicted upon society by intemperance, and that Parliament is prepared as soon as public opinion will efficiently sustain stringent measures, to promote such legislation as will prohibit the manufacture, importation and sale of intoxicating liquors, so far as the same is within the competency of this House.

Mr. Schultz moved in amendment, that all the words after "that" be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof:—"it be *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House a Prohibitory Liquor Law is the only effectual remedy for the evils of intemperance, and that it is the duty of the Government to submit such a measure for the approval of Parliament at the earliest moment practicable."

And a Debate arising thereon, and the House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

TUESDAY, 16TH MARCH, 1875.

And the Debate still continuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton), adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 1 A. M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Oliver*—IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, on Bill No. 67—That the said Bill be so amended as to provide that the same amount of security be deposited with the Receiver General for the protection of the Public against the Canadian Insurance Companies as is required to be deposited by Foreign Companies, viz: \$100,000.

Mr. *Fournier*—On Wednesday next—BILL entitled: "An Act to extend to British Columbia 'The Dominion Lands Act,' and the Acts amending it.

Mr. *Taschereau*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Honorable the Minister of Justice to request immediate action on the part of the House on the facts alleged in the petition of *S. Thérberge*, Esq., and others; praying for the impeachment of the Honorable Mr. *Justice Bosse*, seeing that by the rules of this House, it is impossible, between the present time and the close of the present Session, to take into consideration the motion of which notice has been given on the subject, by the member asking this question?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to connect Escuminae Light House by a line of Telegraph with the Telegraph system of the Dominion, for the purpose of promoting the greater efficiency of the Storm and Weather Signal system, and as a means of conveying timely warning of wrecks, &c., on that coast?

Mr. *Borden*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—What is the policy of the Government with regard to the present Way office system in Nova Scotia, as regards the creation of such offices in the future, and as regards those which are already in existence?

Mr. *Pope*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government that the Indian veterans of 1812 will be placed upon the same footing as regards pensions as other veterans of that war? If so, what evidence of service will be required in cases where they were not enrolled?

Mr. *McIsaac*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to send an engineer next summer to examine the condition of Bayfield Harbour and Arisaig Pier and report them?

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were posted for consideration by the respective Committees *on or after Monday the 22nd instant*:—

Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines:—

No. 66. To legalize and confirm certain agreements between the Niagara Falls International Bridge Company, the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company, and the Great Western Railway Company.

No. 64. For granting further powers to the Montreal, Chambly and Sorel Railway Company, and to change its name.

Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce:—

No. 59. To incorporate the Metropolitan Insurance Company of Canada.

No. 63. To incorporate the North Western Manufacturing Company.

Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills:—

No. 75. To authorize *Francois Xavier Galarneau*, and others, to build a bridge over L'Assomption River, in the Parish of L'Assomption.

The following Bills from the Senate were posted for consideration by the Select Standing Committee on *Banking and Commerce*, *on or after Wednesday, the Seventeenth instant*:—

No. 99. Intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Western Assurance Company, and other Acts affecting the same; and to extend the powers of the said Company."

No. 100. Intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Canada Car and Manufacturing Company."

No. 28.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 15TH MARCH, 1875.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 16TH MARCH, 1875.

Four Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Fournier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented the second Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *with amendments, viz.* :—

No. 10. For the better protection of persons and property conveyed by Railways.

No. 33. To confirm articles of agreement and consolidation between the European and North American Railway Company for extension from St. John westward; and the European and North American Railway Company of Maine, and for other purposes.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz.* :—

No. 16. To change the name of the Imperial Building, Savings and Investment Company, to that of the Imperial Loan and Investment Company.

No. 28. To incorporate the "*Banque St. Jean Baptiste*."

Mr. *Blain* introduced a Bill (No. 106) respecting the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Pozer*, the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization was authorized to engage a short-hand Reporter for two sittings of the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolutions to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories, etc.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories, the Government thereof, the Administration of Justice therein, and other matters relating thereto.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide that salaries, not exceeding the following amounts per annum, may be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada to the following officers to be appointed under the Act to be passed in the behalf aforesaid :—

To the Lieutenant-Governor, not exceeding.....	\$7,000
To each Stipendiary Magistrate, not exceeding.....	3,000
To two Members of Council, each, not exceeding	1,000
To the Clerk of the Council, who shall also act as and perform the duties of Secretary to the Lieutenant-Governor, not exceeding	1,800
To the Clerk of the Court of each District do	500
To the Sheriff for the said Territories do	1,200
To a Registrar of deeds for the same, (to be recouped by Fees in Registration) not exceeding.....	2,000

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

The Bill (No. 77) to compel persons delivering Merchantable Liquids in casks, to mark on such casks the capacity thereof, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 78) respecting Life Insurance Companies, and Companies doing any Insurance business, other than Fire and Inland Marine, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendment agreed, and the Bill ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for The House to go into Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting salaries proposed to be paid to the Chief Justice and Judges mentioned in the Bill (No. 31) to establish a Supreme Court, and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada, being read; Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton), informed The House, that His Excellency the Governor General, having been made aware of the subject matter of these Resolutions, recommends them to The House.

The House then went into Committee on the said Resolutions.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide,—

That the annual salaries of the Chief Justice and Judges mentioned in the Bill No. 31, to establish a Supreme Court and a Court of Exchequer, for the Dominion of Canada, be fixed at the rates following, that is to say:

The Chief Justice of the said Courts	\$8,000
The Puisné Judges of the said Courts	\$7,000

and that such salaries shall be paid and payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada, after paying and reserving sufficient to pay all such sums as have been heretofore charged thereon, but in preference to all payments which be hereafter charged thereon.

2. *Resolved*,—That in case any Chief Justice or Judge of the said Courts has continued in the office for fifteen years or upwards, or in the said office and that of one or more of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity or of the Court of Vice-Admiralty in any of the Provinces of the Dominion, for periods amounting together to fifteen years or upwards, or becomes afflicted with some permanent infirmity, disabling him from the due execution of his office, then, in case such Chief Justice or Judge resigns his office, Her Majesty may, by letters patent under the Great Seal of Canada, reciting such period of office or such permanent infirmity, grant unto such Chief Justice or Judge an annuity equal to two-thirds of the salary annexed to the office he held at the time of his resignation, to commence immediately after his resignation, and to continue thenceforth during his natural life, and to be payable by monthly instalments, and *pro rata* for any period less than a year, during such continuance, out of any unappropriated moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

3. *Resolved*,—That the Registrar of the said Courts shall be paid an annual salary at the rate of \$2,600: and a *precis* writer to act as Secretary to the Chief Justice and Judges of the said Courts shall be paid a salary to be determined by the Governor in Council.

4. *Resolved*,—That all fees payable to the said Registrar, shall be paid by means of stamps, which shall be issued for that purpose by the Minister of Inland Revenue, who shall regulate the sale thereof, and that the proceeds of the sale of such stamps shall be paid into the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

5. *Resolved*,—That Sheriffs and Coroners executing the process or orders of either of the said Courts shall receive for their own use such fees as the Judges of the said Courts shall, by general order, fix and determine.

Resolutions to be reported.

Report received,—to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 31) to establish a Supreme Court and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider a certain proposed Resolution, with respect to the powers and authorities of the Trinity House of Quebec.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That it be expedient of transferring the powers and authorities of the Trinity House of Quebec to the Quebec Harbor Commissioners, with the property of the said Trinity House, except the Decayed Pilot Fund, which shall be transferred to the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbor of Quebec; and of amending the constitution of the Corporation of the said Harbor Commissioners.

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 85) to amend the Act Chapter 46 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, entitled: "An Act respecting the Culling of Timber," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider certain proposed Resolutions, to increase the salaries of the Civil Service of Canada, as provided in the "Act respecting the Civil Service of Canada."

(In Committee.)

The following Resolutions were proposed:—

1. *Resolved*, That the salary of a third class Clerk for the first year be \$500, with an annual increase of fifty dollars up to \$750.

2. *Resolved*, That the salary of a junior second class Clerk for the first year be \$800, with an annual increase of fifty dollars, up to \$1,000.

3. *Resolved*, That the salary of a senior second class Clerk for the first year be \$1,200, with an annual increase of fifty dollars up to \$1,600.

4. *Resolved*, That the salary of a first class Clerk for the first year be \$1,600, with an annual increase of fifty dollars up to \$2,000.

5. *Resolved*, That the salary of a Chief Clerk of the second grade for the first year be \$2,000, with an annual increase of \$100 up to \$2,400.

6. *Resolved*, That the salary of a Chief Clerk of the first grade for the first year be \$2,400, with an annual increase of \$100 up to \$2,800.

7. *Resolved*, That the salary of the Deputy Head of a Department for the first year be \$3,200, with an annual increase of \$100, up to \$3,600.

8. *Resolved*, That the salary of a Messenger for the first year shall not exceed \$400, with an annual increase of \$40, up to \$600.

9. *Resolved*, That no Clerk shall receive the said annual increase unless the same be recommended by the Head of his Department; but the same may be suspended by such head and subsequently restored without payment of arrears.

10. *Resolved*, That extra Clerks may be paid at a rate not exceeding \$2 per day, unless specially qualified and employed as being so qualified; and that in such case the rate of pay shall not exceed \$4 per day.

11. *Resolved*, That extra work, after office hours, may be paid for at the rate of fifty cents an hour, in cases to be specially provided for in the Bill.

12. *Resolved*, That if the business of any Department requires the services of any person possessing professional, scientific or technical qualifications, such person may be employed at a salary to be fixed by the Governor in Council, but shall not be ranked in any of the classes hereinbefore mentioned.

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

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The said Resolutions were adopted, and reported.

Report to be received at the next sitting of The House, this day.

The Bill (No. 46) to define and settle the duties, rights and responsibilities of Carriers by Land and Water, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The House then adjourned at 12.30 A. M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. McCallum—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for copies of all Orders in Council as to the reduction of Water rent on the upper level on the Welland Canal.

Mr. Blake—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether they propose to construct a line of Railway, from Esquimaux to Nanaimo, as part of the fourth section of the Canadian Pacific Railway authorized in 1874, or as an independent line, or as a branch of that Railway?

Whether, in case such line should be built as an independent or branch line, they propose that legislative provision should be made as to the terms and mode of construction?

Whether, in case such line be contracted for before next Session, the contract will be made subject to the vote of the House of Commons, in like manner, as is provided in respect of the main line?

Mr. Ryan—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to amend the Law so that those who have settled upon Dominion Lands in Manitoba, for the purpose of acquiring homestead rights, will get their wood lots without payment of the twenty dollars charged at present?

Mr. Ryan—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to confine the system of leasing wood lots in Manitoba to the Settlement belt?

Mr. Ryan—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to amend the law so as to extend to persons settled upon homesteads in Manitoba at the time of the passing of the 37th Vict., Chap. 19, the right to pre-empt a quarter of a section of Dominion Lands, given by that Act to persons settling after its passage?

Mr. Ryan—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to take any measures to prevent the valuable woods south of the Assiniboine, in the County of Marquette, from being destroyed by the constantly occurring prairie fires?

Mr. Schultz—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to permit Homestead settlement on any portion of the twenty miles belt along the proposed Railway line from Rat Portage to narrows of Lake Manitoba?

Mr. Cartwright—On Thursday next—BILL entitled: "An act to amend the Act 31 Vict., chap. 44."

Mr. PERRY—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to keep up, during the winter season, steam communication between the Province of Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia or New Brunswick, in accordance with the terms of the Union of Prince Edward Island with the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. Irving—In Committee of Whole on Bill (No. 31) An Act to establish a Supreme Court and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada.—The following amendments thereto:—

No error or appeal shall be brought from any judgment or order of any Court of any of the Provinces, subsequent to the commencement of the said Act, to the Judicial Committee of Her Majesty's Privy Council, but every decree and order of all Courts of final resort within the several Provinces, in respect of any subject matter or proceeding wherein appeal now lies from any such Courts to the Judicial Committee of Her Majesty's Privy Council of England, shall and may be appealed to the Supreme Court.

The Judgment of the Supreme Court shall in all cases be final and conclusive and no error or appeal shall be brought from any judgment or order of the Supreme Court to any Court of Appeal established by the Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland, to which appeals or Petitions to Her Majesty in Council may be ordered to be heard, saving any right which Her Majesty may be graciously pleased to exercise as Her Royal Prerogative.

That the Supreme Court shall be constituted as follows: There shall be five Judges, two of whom shall from time to time be appointed by the Governor in Council, and three of whom shall be *ex-officio* Judges selected from the Superior Courts of the Provinces, or of the Court of Error and Appeal of Ontario, and while acting as Judges of the Supreme Court may continue to exercise the functions of Judges of the Provincial Courts of which they are members.

The said Judges of the Courts of the Provinces hereinbefore mentioned shall arrange triennially among themselves by what Judge or Judges thereof any duty assigned to them shall be performed in manner following.

No. 29.

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No. 30.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 17TH MARCH, 1875.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—General Rules made by Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench for Ontario, under and by virtue of "*The Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874.*"

Twelve Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *Charles McArthur* and others, of the Township of Bentinck, County of Grey; and of the Municipal Council of the County of Renfrew; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Chief and Warriors of the Wyandott Indians, of the Township of Anderdon, County of Essex; praying that they may be enfranchised, and that their reserved lands may be allotted and patented to them in due proportion, and the residue thereof sold for their benefit.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Essex; and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Anderdon, County of Essex; severally praying that the Petition of the Chief and Warriors of the Wyandott Indians, asking that they may be enfranchised, and that their reserved lands may be allotted and patented to them in due proportion, and the residue thereof sold for their benefit, may be granted.

Motion being made that the Petition of *George Campbell* and others, of Windsor; praying that the depth of water in the enlarged Welland Canal may be increased, so that the largest class of vessels employed on the Upper Lakes, may pass freely downward to Lake Ontario, be now read and received.

Mr. Speaker decided,—"That as the granting the prayer of this Petition would involve the expenditure "of public money, it cannot be received."

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, the Petition of *Donald A. Smith*, M. P., presented this day, was read and received; praying to be permitted to lay before The House a Petition for an Act to amend the Charter of the Bank of Manitoba, notwithstanding the expiration of the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the fifth Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *without amendment, viz* :—

No. 41. To amend the Act passed by the Parliament of the late Province of Canada, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Montreal Board of Trade."

No. 55. To amend the Act incorporating the Board of Trade of the Town of Lévis.

No. 99. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Western Assurance Company, and other Acts affecting the same; and to extend the powers of the said Company."

And the following Bills *with amendments, viz* :—

No. 39. To amend the several Acts incorporating or relating to the Richelieu Company; and to change its corporate name.

No. 47. To amend the Act incorporating the Canadian Navigation Company.

No. 48. To incorporate the European and American Express and Agency Company.

No. 57. To incorporate the Anglo-French Steamship Company.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), it was *Resolved*, That when Mr. Speaker leaves the Chair at 6 P. M. this day, The House do stand adjourned until to-morrow, at 3 P. M.

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, the Petition of *James MacLennan*, M.P., presented this day, was read and received; praying to be permitted to lay before The House a Petition for an Act to amend the Commercial Travellers' Association, notwithstanding the expiration of the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz* :—

No. 33. To confirm articles of agreement and consolidation between the European and North American Railway Company, for extension from St. John, westward, and the European and North American Company of Maine; and for other purposes.

No. 32. To consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the Provincial Insurance Company of Canada (*with an amendment*.)

The Bill (No. 94) to authorize the "Canada Southern Railway Company" to acquire the "Erie and Niagara Railway," and for other purposes, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The Bill (No. 86) to change the name of the Montreal Permanent Building Society to that of "The Montreal Savings and Loan Company," and to extend the powers thereof, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill (No. 97) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act for the relief of *Henry William Peterson*," being read;

Mr. *Taschereau* moved that the Bill be read the second time this day three months; which was negatived on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Aylmer,	Deborne,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Platt,
Baby,	Desjardins,	Laflamme,	Pope,
Béchar,	De St. Georges,	Langlois,	Pouliot,
Bernier,	Donahue,	Lanthier,	Power,
Bourassa,	Dugas,	Laurier,	Pozer,
Bunster,	Fiset,	Little,	Richard,
Caron,	Flynn,	McDonald (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Robillard,
Casgrain,	Forbes,	Macmillan,	Robitaille,
Cauchon,	Fournier,	McIntyre,	Rouleau,
Cheval,	Fréchette,	McIsaac,	Scatcherd,
Cimon,	Gaudet,	McQuade,	Smith (<i>Peel</i>),
Colby,	Geoffrion,	Masson,	St. Jean,
Costigan,	Holton,	Mitchell,	Taschereau
Coupal,	Hurteau,	Moffatt,	Thibaudeau,
Cunningham,	Irving,	Montplaisir,	Thompson [<i>Cariboo</i>],
Currier,	Jetté,	Pelletier,	Thomson [<i>Welland</i>],
Cushing,	Jodoin,	Perry,	Tremblay,
Cuthbert,	Jones, (<i>Halifax</i>)	Pettes,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>).—72.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Cockburn,	Kerr,	Rochester,
Archibald,	Coffin,	Kirk,	Rosecoe,
Bain,	Cook,	Kirkpatrick,	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Bertram,	Davis,	Laird,	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Biggar,	De Cosmos,	Lauderkin,	Ross (<i>Prince-Edward</i>),
Blackburn,	Dymond,	McDougall (<i>Renfrew</i>),	Rymal,
Blain,	Farrow,	MacKay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Schultz
Borron,	Ferris,	McKay [<i>Colchester</i>],	Scriven,
Bowell,	Fleming,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Shibley,
Bowman,	Flesher,	Mackenzie (<i>Montreal</i>),	Sinclair,
Brouse,	Galbraith,	MacLennan,	Smith (<i>Selkirk</i>),
Buell,	Gibson,	McCallum,	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Burk,	Gillies,	McCrancy,	Snider,
Burpee, (<i>St. John</i>),	Gillmer,	McGregor,	Stirton,
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Gordon,	Metcalf,	Trow,
Cameron, (<i>Cardwell</i>),	Goudge,	Mills,	Wallace [<i>Albert</i>],
Campbell,	Greenway,	Monteith,	White,
Carmichael,	Hagar,	Oliver,	Wilkes,
Cartwright,	Haggart,	Palmer,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>).
Casey,	Hall,	Paterson,	Yeo,
Charlton,	Horton,	Pickard,	Young.—84.

And the question being put that the Bill be now read the second time, it was agreed to, on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Coffin,	Lauderkin,	Rosecoe,
Archibald,	Cook,	McDougall [<i>Renfrew</i>],	Ross [<i>Durham</i>],
Bain,	Davis,	MacKay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ross [<i>Middlesex</i>],
Bertram,	DeCosmos,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	Ross [<i>Prince Edward</i>],
Biggar,	Dymond,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Rymal,
Blackburn,	Farrow,	Mackenzie (<i>Montreal</i>),	Schultz,
Blain,	Ferris,	MacLennan,	Scriven,
Bowell,	Fleming,	McCallum,	Shibley,
Bowman,	Flesher,	McCrancy,	Sinclair,
Brouse,	Gibson,	McGregor,	Smith (<i>Selkirk</i>),
Buell,	Gillies,	Metcalf,	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Burk,	Gillmer,	Mills,	Snider,
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Gordon,	Monteith,	Stirton,
Burpee, (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Greenway,	Norris,	Trow,
Cameron (<i>Cardwell</i>),	Hagar,	Oliver,	Wallace [<i>Albert</i>],
Cameron, (<i>Ontario</i>),	Haggart,	Palmer,	White,
Carmichael,	Hall,	Paterson,	Wilkes,
Cartwright,	Horton,	Pickard,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>),
Casey,	Kerr,	Ray,	Yeo,
Charlton,	Kirkpatrick,	Rochester,	Young.—82.
Cockburn,	Laird,		

NAYS :

Messieurs

Aylmer,	Delorme,	Jones (<i>Halifax</i>),	Pinsonneault,
Baby,	Desjardins,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Platt,
Béchar,	De St. Georges,	Lafamme,	Pope,
Bernier,	Donahue,	Lajoie,	Ponliot,
Bourassa,	Dugas,	Langlois,	Power,
Bunster,	Ferguson,	Lanthier,	Pozer,
Caron,	Fiset,	Laurier,	Richard,
Casgrain,	Flynn,	Little,	Robillard,
Cauchon,	Forbes,	Macmillan,	Robitaille,
Cheval,	Fournier,	McIsaac,	Rouleau,
Canon,	Fréchette,	McQuade,	Scatcherd,
Colby,	Gandet,	Masson,	St. Jean,
Costigan,	Geoffrion,	Mitchell,	Taschereau,
Coupal,	Holton,	Moffat,	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Cunningham,	Hurteau,	Montplaisir,	Thompson (<i>Welland</i>),
Currier,	Irving,	Pelletier,	Tremblay,
Cushing,	Jetté,	Perry,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>).—71.
Cuthbert,	Jodoin,	Pettes,	

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow, on the same division.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 65) to amend the Act respecting the Public Debt, and the raising of loans authorized by Parliament, *without amendment*.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill (No. 38) to amend the Act therein mentioned respecting Banks and Banking, *with amendments*.—(On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, the said amendments were taken into consideration and agreed to.)

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland), laid before The House Supplement (No. 3) to the seventh annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, being for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1874, containing Reports of the Montreal, Toronto and Pictou Harbor Commissioners,—the Quebec Trinity House,—the Pilotage Authorities,—and the Shipping and Harbour Masters; and on the Harbor and River Police of the Dominion of Canada, on the 31st day of December, 1874.

On motion of Mr. *Sinclair*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all papers and correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Prince Edward Island Government, relative to the construction of the Prince Edward Island Railroad, and the transfer of said Railroad to the Dominion Government.

On motion of Mr. *Jones* (South Leeds), an Address was voted to His Excellency for a statement of Leases of Water Power made by the Department of Public Works between the Dominion Dam at the Whitefish and Kingston Mills on the Rideau Canal, both inclusive; Date of Lease or Leases; Time such Lease or Leases expire; Quantity of power rented and approximate power used during past year, under each Lease; with copy of Reports and papers, if any, submitted by the Superintendent Engineer of the Rideau Canal during the past twelve months to the Department of Public Works on this subject.

On motion of Mr. *Colby*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for a Return, giving the annual amount paid, at the time of the late Mr. *Dixon's* death, for salaries, permanent and temporary, at the Dominion Emigration Office, London, England, distinguishing the yearly, monthly and weekly amounts paid to such officers or persons, also the amount of all personal, travelling or other expenses, the contingent expenses of the office and amount paid for rent.

Also, the amount now paid for the same services and expenses, giving the names of all officers and persons now employed, nationality and previous residence, the designations and salaries of the same, distinguishing in the case of Mr. *Edward Jenkins* the salary paid him as Emigration Agent and as Agent General.

On motion of Mr. *Masson*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all correspondence between the Canadian Government, and the Government of the Province of Quebec, on the subject of Railway connections between the Eastern terminus of the Canada Pacific Railway, and the Province of Quebec.

On motion of Mr. *Gordon*, an Address was voted to His Excellency for a copy of the Report of the Government Engineer, respecting the condition of Whitby Harbor, as to condition of piers, depth of water, etc., together with any correspondence (if any) which may have passed between the Government and the Whitby Harbor Company, on the above subjects.

At 6 o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, until the hour of 3 P. M., to-morrow.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. Macdougall (East Elgin)—On Friday next—BILL intituled “An act to amend the Dominion Elections Act of 1874.

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the respective Committees *on or after* Wednesday, the 24th instant :—

Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills:—

No. 86. To change the name of the Montreal Permanent Building Society to that of “The Montreal Savings and Loan Company,” and to extend the powers thereof.

Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines:—

No. 94. To authorize the Canada Southern Railway Company to acquire the Erie and Niagara Railway ; and for other purposes.

No. 30.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 17TH MARCH, 1875.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 18TH MARCH, 1875.

Sixteen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *A. A. McLaughlin* and others, of Laxton, County of Victoria, Province of Ontario; of *Charles L. Currier* and others, of Gagetown, County of Queens, Province of New Brunswick; and of *Alfred Augustine* and others, of Humberstone, County of Welland; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *J. B. Saunby* and others, of London, Ontario; praying that a duty be imposed upon all flour imported into Canada from the United States, be now read and received;

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the prayer of this Petition involves a public charge, it cannot be “received, unless recommended by the Crown.”

On motion of Mr. *Jetté*, the Order of yesterday, referring the Bill (No. 86) to change the name of the Montreal Permanent Building Society to that of “The Montreal Savings and Loan Company;” and to extend the powers thereof, to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, was rescinded, and the said Bill referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), Messrs. *MacLennan* and *White* were added to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

Mr. *Pournier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented the third Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill [No. 8] to prevent cruelty to animals while in transit by Railway or other means of conveyance within the Dominion of Canada, *with amendments*. Bill to be reprinted, as amended.

The Bill [No. 78] respecting Life Insurance Companies, and Companies doing any Insurance business, other than Fire and Inland Marine, was read a third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of Bill (No. 85) to amend the Act Chapter 46 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, entitled: “An Act respecting the culling of Timber,” being read;

On motion of Mr. *Geoffrion*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, re-considered, amended, reported, amendment concurred in, and the Bill ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for taking into consideration the amendments made in Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 18) to amend the Acts respecting Controverted Elections, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Fournier*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill referred back to a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of amending the same.

(*In Committee.*)

The following amendment was adopted :—

5. "Whereas doubts have arisen as to the proper construction of Sections 73, 101 and 103 of the "Dominion Election Act, 1874, and as to the effect upon Elections held under the said Act of the avoiding "of previous Elections, it is hereby enacted, that elections held under the said Act, as well as Elections "already held as Elections hereafter to be held, shall be deemed and taken, as respects both candidates "and voters, to be new Elections in law and in fact to all intents and purposes whatsoever.

6. "The next preceding section shall also apply to Controverted Elections tried under the Controverted "Elections Act, 1873."

The said Bill was then reported as amended.

Report to be received, to-morrow, and the Bill to be re-printed, as amended.

The Bill (No. 10) for the better protection of persons and property conveyed by Railways, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 83) to provide for the salaries of County Court Judges in the Province of Nova Scotia; and for other purposes, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole (and the Resolutions on the subject adopted on 9th March, inst., referred to the said Committee), reported, and the Bill ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 88) from the Senate, intituled "An act respecting Copyrights," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendment concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of extending provisions similar, as circumstances permit, to those of "The Seamen's Act, 1873," to vessels employed in navigating the Inland Waters of Canada.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted :—

Resolved, That it is expedient to extend provisions similar, as nearly as circumstances permit, to those of "The Seamen's Act, 1873," to vessels employed in navigating the Inland Waters of Canada.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland) then introduced a Bill (No. 197) respecting the shipping of Seamen in the Inland Waters of Canada.—Second reading to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 96) from the Senate, intituled : "An Act still further to amend the Patent Act of 1872, and to extend the same, as amended, to Prince Edward Island," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendment concurred in, and the Bill ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 95) respecting the Intercolonial Railway, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 105) further to amend the Civil Service Superannuation Act, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 67) to consolidate and amend the several Acts respecting Insurance, in so far as regards Fire and Inland Marine business, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and amendments concurred in.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that the said Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. *Oliver* moved in amendment, that the said Bill be re-committed, with instructions to the Committee so to amend it as to provide that the same amount of security be deposited with the Receiver General for the protection of the Public against Canadian Insurance Companies, as is required to be deposited by Foreign Companies, viz: \$100,000, which was negatived on a division.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 98) respecting the lien of the Dominion on the Northern Railway of Canada, was read the second time, on a division, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Blain*, the Order of Friday last, the 12th instant, referring the Bill (No. 69) to incorporate the Dominion Railways Equipment Company, to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce was rescinded, and that the said Bill be considered to have been duly referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Cook*—In Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 88) respecting the lien of the Dominion on the Northern Railway—The following Proviso: “Provided always that the Company getting such relief shall, not later than the 1st of December, 1876, dredge the harbor of Collingwood to a depth to admit vessels drawing fourteen feet of water.

Mr. *Charlton*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government will take into consideration the defective arrangement for lighting the Gas in the House of Commons, and consider the propriety of providing an electrical apparatus for the simultaneous lighting of all the gas burners in the Chamber, thereby preventing the unwholesome stench that now poisons the air of the Chamber when the gas is lighted?

Mr. *Laird*—To-morrow—BILL entitled “An act to amend an Act to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33, Victoria, Chapter 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba.”

Mr. *Kirk*—On Saturday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to cause to be appointed during the Parliamentary recess a Commission to enquire into the best and most direct route for the conveyance of mails and passengers between the Dominion of Canada and Europe, said Commission for that purpose to visit and personally inspect such harbors as are reported to have superior advantages and available at all seasons of the year, viz.:—White Haven, Louisburg, Shippegan, St. Andrews, &c.

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Saturday next—Whether, in view of the large amount of shipping frequenting Lingan Harbour, Cape Breton, for coals, and fishing vessels taking refuge in it from Easterly storms, the Government would send the Government Steam Dredge to deepen the Bar at the entrance, or send an Engineer to examine and report on it.

Mr. *Jette*—On Saturday next—BILL entitled “An Act to amend the Railway Act, 1868.

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bill was this day posted for consideration by the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, *on or after Wednesday, the 24th instant*:—

No. 86. To change the name of the Montreal Permanent Building Society to that of “The Montreal Savings and Loan Company,” and to extend the powers thereof.

The following Bill was this day posted for consideration by the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, *on or after Friday the 19th instant*:—

No. 69. To incorporate the Dominion Railways Equipment Company.

No. 31.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 18TH MARCH, 1875.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 19TH MARCH, 1875.

Fourteen petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.—

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of Darlington; of *J. P. Planche*, Sen., and others of the Municipality of Leeds, County of Megantic; of *John A. Hardey* and others, of Kent Bridge, Township of Camden, County of Kent, Ontario; of *Carson Hewitt* and others, of the Township of Seneca, County of Haldimand; of *W. H. McLaren* and others, of East Hawkesbury, County of Prescott; and of the Harwood Division No. 115 Sons of Temperance, in the West Riding of the County of Northumberland, Ontario; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *J. W. Parmenter*, Official Assignee in the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville; of *Henry Mason*, Official Assignee for the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham; of *Arthur James Matheson* and *George A. Cousitt*, Official Assignees at Perth, in the County of Lanark; and of *Henry Charles Voigt*, Official Assignee at the City of Kingston, County of Frontenac; severally praying that Official Assignees may be appointed by the local Boards of Trade as formerly.

The petition of *Archibald McKinnon*, and others, Electors of the County of Victoria, Cape Breton, was read and received, and is as follows:—

To the Honorable The Speaker and Members of the House of Commons of Canada: The Petition of the undersigned Electors of the County of Victoria, humbly sheweth:

That one George Ingraham was appointed Returning Officer for the late Election for said County of Victoria, holden on the 17th day of December last.

That said George Ingraham had only in October last returned from Texas, in the United States of America, and had no property in the County of Victoria to the value of one dollar; that he is the brother-in-law of Charles J. Campbell, one of the Candidates at said Election; that the said George Ingraham was not the Sheriff of said County, or the Registrar of Deeds; that the Writ for said Election was not offered to the High Sheriff of said County. That from and after Election Day, namely, the seventeenth day of December, up to the twenty-second day of said month, the said Returning Officer ordered the ballot box of the North Shore Polling District number eleven, together with a number of other ballot boxes, to be

placed in the custody of the said Charles J. Campbell, and were so placed in his care in his office and business establishment; and on the said 22nd day of December, were taken from out of said establishment, to the Court House, and on said day the said Returning Officer proceeded to open the ballot boxes and add up the number of votes given for each candidate, namely, Barclay E. Tremain, and Charles J. Campbell.

That said Returning Officer finding no statement as to the number of votes polled for each candidate in the North Shore ballot-box number eleven, he, the said Returning Officer, absolutely refused to take the statement of the Deputy Returning Officer, after he, the said Deputy, presenting the same, and tendering his oath as to the correctness of the same; shewing that at said District number eleven, that the said Barclay E. Tremain had polled sixty-six votes, and the said Charles J. Campbell but fifteen votes, giving the said Barclay E. Tremain a majority at said District of fifty-one. But the said Returning Officer ignored said Polling District, and in violation of law "*Returned the said Charles J. Campbell as duly elected.*"

That the said Barclay E. Tremain has polled the majority of votes in the County, over the said Charles J. Campbell; and notwithstanding that the said Returning Officer knew this fact, he previously expressed his determination to return the said Charles J. Campbell.

That the conduct of the Returning Officer during the Election, and particularly on declaration, and the two previous days, was arbitrary and insulting.

That the written Return made to R. Pope, Esquire, Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, by the said George Ingraham as to the legal number of votes polled for the said Charles J. Campbell, and the threatening and riotous conduct of the said B. E. Tremain and his supporters is utterly false.

Therefore, your Petitioners pray that you may deal with the said George Ingraham, for his unwarranted and unjustifiable conduct, as he deserves in the premises.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

COUNTY OF VICTORIA, Cape Breton, this 25th day of January, A. D. 1875.

Arch'd. McKinnon, Donald McRae, J. P., William Jones, J. P., William Foyle, Donald J. McRae, Donald McRae, Duncan McDonald, John Ross, A. B. Monson, J. P., John A. Mathison, Angus McLeod, John Morrison, Murdoch McDonald, Norman McDonald, E. M. Sellon, Alexander Urquhart, Donald Morrison, J. P., Kenneth Campbell, John A. Fraser, M. P. P., Angus Morrison, J. H. Cahoon, J. P., James Riley, Chs. Jones, J. P., John McRae Bentie, Paul Buchanan, Malcolm McLeod, Henry Foyle, J. P., W. Bingham, Major P. B., Murdoch McKenzie, J. P., James Crowder, Archy McKenzie, Wm. Ridston, Jun., J. P., Stephen Atwater, Donald C. McLean, William H. Watson, Roderick McRae, J. P., S. G. A. McRim, M. D., Lauchlin McFadyen, J. P., Kenneth McKenzie, J. P., Angus McDonald, George Old, Angus Melvor, J. P., Philip McDonald, J. W. Burke, J. P.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the sixth Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *with amendments*, viz:—

No. 36. To incorporate the Royal Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada.

No. 61. To incorporate the National Insurance Company

Also reporting, that the Committee have had under their consideration Bill (No. 24) to incorporate the Pictou Coal and Iron Company, and considering certain clauses thereof, are of the Jurisdiction of the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, they are of opinion that the said Bill should be referred to that Committee.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the ninth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have considered the Petition of *James Maclellan*, M. P., on behalf of the Commercial Travellers' Association,—and the Petition of *Danald A. Smith*, M. P., on behalf of the Bank of Manitoba; severally praying for leave to present Petitions for Private Bills, notwithstanding the expiration of the time limited therefor; and the reasons assigned for the delay in each case are such, as not to justify a recommendation, that leave be granted.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) introduced a Bill (No. 108) to provide for the construction of a line of Railway from Esquimalt to Nanaimo, in British Columbia.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Laird* introduced a Bill (No. 109) respecting conflicting claims to lands of occupants in Manitoba.—Second reading to-morrow.

Also,—a Bill (No. 110) to amend an Act to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Victoria*, Chapter 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of Manitoba.—Second reading to-morrow.

And also,—a Bill (No. 111) to extend to the Province of British Columbia, "The Dominion Lands Act."—Second reading to-morrow

On motion of Mr. *Baby*, the Bill (No. 24) to incorporate the Pictou Coal and Iron Company, was, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Mr. *Cartwright* laid before The House,—Statement of payments to the Judges of the Province of Quebec, on account of travelling expenses, from 1st July, 1867, to 30th June, 1874.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill (No. 83) to provide for the salaries of County Court Judges in the Province of Nova Scotia, and for other purposes, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Fournier*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, re-considered, amended, reported, amendment concurred in, and ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

A Message was received from the Senate with the following Bill (No. 112) of their own, intituled: "An Act respecting defective Letters Patent, and the discharge of securities to the Crown," to which the concurrence of this House was desired.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), the said Bill was read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland), The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolutions for the purpose of amending "The Pilotage Act, 1873."

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to amend "The Pilotage Act, 1873," by providing

1. That sub-section 5 of section 57 be repealed, with the proviso referring to it at the end of the section, and by enacting, that ships registered in Canada of such description and size not exceeding two hundred and fifty tons register, as the Pilotage authorities of the District, with the approval of the Governor in Council, shall from time to time determine, shall be exempt from the compulsory payment of pilotage in such District.

2. That for any of the offences mentioned in section 71, the pilot shall be liable to suspension or dismissal by the Pilotage authorities of the District, and on any evidence which they may deem sufficient whether he has or has not been found guilty of misdemeanor.

3. That sections 11 and 16 authorizing the appointment by the Governor of Secretary and Treasurer for the Halifax and St. John Pilot Commissioners, be repealed and providing instead thereof, that all Pilotage authorities may, with the sanction of the Governor in Council, appoint a Secretary and Treasurer, and pay such salary or remuneration out of pilotage dues or fees for licenses, or both, received by them as they may see fit, and may with such sanction and out of such funds pay any other necessary expenses of conducting the Pilotage business of the District.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland) then introduced a Bill (No. 113) further to amend "The Pilotage Act, 1873."—Second reading to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 96) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act still further to amend The Patent Act, 1872," and to extend the same, as amended, to Prince Edward Island," was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) moved, that the Bill [No. 98] respecting the lien of the Dominion on the Northern Railway of Canada, be now read a third time.

Mr. *McCallum* moved in amendment, that the Bill be read a third time, this day six months; which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Cook* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of amending the same, by adding thereto the following words:—

"Provided always, that if the Company get such relief, the said Company shall not, later than the 1st of December, 1876, dredge the Harbor of Collingwood to a depth to admit vessels drawing at least fourteen feet of water;" which was also negatived on a division.

The Bill was then read a third time, on a division, and passed.

The Order of the Day, for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole, yesterday, on the Bill (No. 18) to amend the Act respecting Controverted Elections, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Fournier*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill again re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, re-considered, further amended, reported, amendments concurred in, and ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 90) to amend the Act 31 Victoria Chapter 64, respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed mariners, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

7.30 P. M.

(The Report for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.)

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz:—

No. 41. To amend the Act passed by the Parliament of the late Province of Canada, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Montreal Board of Trade."

No. 55. To amend the Act incorporating the Board of Trade of the Town of Lévis.

No. 99. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Western Assurance Company, and other Acts affecting the same; and to extend the powers of the said Company."

N. 39. To amend the several Acts incorporating or relating to the Richelieu Company, and to change its corporate name.

No. 47. To amend the Act incorporating the Canadian Navigation Company.

No. 48. To incorporate the European and American Express and Agency Company (amended).

No. 57. To incorporate "The Anglo-French Steamship Company."

The two following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, *viz* :—

No. 103. To incorporate the Quebec and Lake Huron Direct Railway.

No. 106. Respecting the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company.

The Bill (No. 97) from the Senate, intituled "An act for the relief of *Henry William Peterson*," was considered in Committee of the Whole, and reported *without amendment*.

Mr. *MacLennan* moved, that the said Bill be now read a third time; which was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Cunningham,	Kirk,	Pickard,
Archibald,	Davies,	Laird,	Rochester,
Bain,	Dawson,	Landerkin,	Roscoe,
Bertram,	De Cosmos,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Blackburn,	De Veber,	McDougall (<i>Renfrew</i>),	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Blain,	Dymond,	MacKay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ross (<i>Prince-Edward</i>),
Borden,	Ferris,	McKay [<i>Colchester</i>],	Rymal,
Bowell,	Fleming,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Sinclair,
Bowman,	Flesher,	MacLennan,	Skinner,
Buell,	Galbraith,	McCallum,	Smith [<i>Peel</i>],
Burk,	Gibson,	McCraney,	Snider,
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Gillmor,	McGregor,	Stirton,
Cameron (<i>Cardwell</i>),	Gordon,	McQuade,	Trow,
Carmichael,	Goudge,	Metcalfe,	Vail,
Cartwright,	Greenway,	Mills,	Wallace [<i>Albert</i>],
Casey,	Hagar,	Monteith,	White,
Charlton,	Haggart,	Norris,	Wilkes,
Church,	Horton,	Oliver,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>),
Cockburn,	Kerr,	Paterson,	Yeo,
Coffin,	Killam,	Pettes,	Young.—81.
Cook,			

NAYS :

Messieurs

Aylmer,	Cushing,	Hurteau,	Mousseau,
Baby,	Cuthbert,	Jetté,	Pelletier,
Barthe,	Delorme,	Jones, (<i>Halifax</i>),	Perry,
Bécharde,	Desjardins,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Pinsonneault,
Bernier,	De St. Georges,	Laflamme,	Pouliot,
Bourassa,	Dugas,	Lajoie,	Power,
Bunster,	Ferguson,	Lanthier,	Robillard,
Caron,	Fiset,	McDonald (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Robitaille,
Casgrain,	Flynn,	Macdonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Rouleau,
Cauchon,	Fournier,	Macmillan,	Stephenson,
Cheval,	Fréchette,	McIntyre,	St. Jean,
Cimon,	Gaudet,	McIsaac,	Taschereau,
Colby,	Gill,	Masson,	Thompson [<i>Cariboo</i>],
Costigan,	Harwood,	Mitchell,	Tremblay,
Coupal,	Holton,	Montplaisir,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>).—61.
Currier,			

The Bill was accordingly read a third time, and passed on a division.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole on the 16th instant, respecting salaries proposed to be paid to the Chief Justice and Judges mentioned in the Bill (No. 31) to establish a Supreme Court, and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada, were reported read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follows:—

1. *Resolved*,—That it is expedient to provide—

That the annual salaries of the Chief Justice and Judges mentioned in the Bill No. 31, to establish a

Supreme Court and a Court of Exchequer, for the Dominion of Canada, be fixed at the rates following, that is to say:

The Chief Justice of the said Courts	\$8,000
The Puisné Judges of the said Courts, each.....	\$7,000

and that such salaries shall be paid and payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada, after paying and reserving sufficient to pay all such sums as have been heretofore charged thereon, but in preference to all payments which be hereafter charged thereon.

2. *Resolved*,—That in case any Chief Justice or Judge of the said Courts has continued in the office for fifteen years or upwards, or in the said office and that of one or more of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity or of the Court of Vice-Admiralty in any of the Provinces of the Dominion, for periods amounting together to fifteen years or upwards, or becomes afflicted with some permanent infirmity, disabling him from the due execution of his office, then, in case such Chief Justice or Judge resigns his office, Her Majesty may, by letters patent under the Great Seal of Canada, reciting such period of office or such permanent infirmity, grant unto such Chief Justice or Judge an annuity equal to two-thirds of the salary annexed to the office he held at the time of his resignation, to commence immediately after his resignation, and to continue thenceforth during his natural life, and to be payable by monthly instalments, and *pro rata* for any period less than a year, during such continuance, out of any unappropriated moneys forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

3. *Resolved*,—That the Registrar of the said Courts shall be paid an annual salary at the rate of \$2,600; and a *precis* writer to act as Secretary to the Chief Justice and Judges of the said Courts shall be paid a salary to be determined by the Governor in Council.

4. *Resolved*,—That all fees payable to the said Registrar, shall be paid by means of stamps, which shall be issued for that purpose by the Minister of Inland Revenue, who shall regulate the sale thereof, and that the proceeds of the sale of such stamps shall be paid into the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

5. *Resolved*,—That Sheriffs and Coroners executing the process or orders of either of the said Courts shall receive for their own use such fees as the Judges of the said Courts shall, by general order, fix and determine.

The Resolution adopted in Committee of the Whole on the 16th instant, with respect to the powers and authorities of the Trinity House of Quebec, was reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and is as follows:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to transfer the powers and authorities of the Trinity House of Quebec to the Quebec Harbor Commissioners, with the property of the said Trinity House, except the Decayed Pilot Fund, which shall be transferred to the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbor of Quebec; and to amend the constitution of the Corporation of the said Harbor Commissioners.

The Bill (No. 13) to provide for the institution of suits against the Crown by Petition of right, and respecting procedure in Crown suits, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow.

The Order for the second reading of the Bill (No. 14) to amend the Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Bill (No. 20) to amend the Law relating to Criminal Procedure, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 21) to amend the Law relating to Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 23) to amend the Act for the more speedy trial, in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended and reported.---Amendments to be taken into consideration, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 54) relating to Interest and Usury in the Province of New Brunswick, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The following Orders of the Day were severally discharged:—

Resuming the adjourned Debate on Mr. Wilkes' proposed motion for the appointment of a Select Committee on the subject of the Dominion Notes circulation.

House to go again into Committee on Resolutions respecting the mode of constituting the Senate.

Second reading of the Bill [No. 76] further to amend the Acts respecting Controverted Elections---and the Bill withdrawn.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. Ross' (Middlesex) proposed motion of Monday last, the 15th instant, and which motion was, "That The House will, on to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution:—

Resolved,—That during the Session of 1873 Petitions were presented to this House signed by 39,223 individuals praying for a Prohibitory Liquor Law; that during the Session of 1874 similar Petitions were presented, signed by 133,465 individuals; that Petitions were also presented by Municipal Corporations representing 478,756 persons; that Petitions were presented by the Legislative Assemblies of Ontario and New Brunswick and by various religious bodies all praying for a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

That Petitions signed by 349,294 persons were presented to the Honorable the Senate praying for the same.

That a Select Committee to whom the Petitions presented to this House were referred, in their Report dated May 8th, 1873, said :—

That the traffic in intoxicating liquors is an unmitigated evil—widespread in its effects—reaching with more or less virulence every class of the community, destroying and blighting with its baneful influence the existence of many of the most useful and promising members of society—producing untold domestic misery and destitution, and leading to the formation of habits alike opposed to the moral and intellectual advancement and prosperity of the country.

That in examining the answers received from the Sheriffs, Prison Inspectors, Coroners and Police Magistrates, one hundred and fourteen of whom have voluntarily given evidence, the Committee find that four-fifths of the crime committed in the Province of Ontario are directly or indirectly connected with the manufacture, sale and consumption of intoxicating liquors.

The Committee further find, on examining the reports of the Prison Inspectors for the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, that out of 28,289 commitments to the jails for the three previous years, 21,236 were committed either for drunkenness or for crimes perpetrated under the influence of drink."

That the Select Committee of the Senate, to whom the Petitions to that Honorable House were referred, in their Report bearing date May 14th, 1873, said :—

"The united unvarying testimony of all the Petitioners is that the vice of intemperance is spreading mainly in consequence of the facilities afforded for the sale of intoxicating liquors. That the traffic in these liquors is the prolific cause of three-fourths of the crime and pauperism in the country. That so long as the traffic is licensed and protected by law, the evils resulting from intemperance cannot be repressed, all the various attempts by stringent license laws having signally failed, and they therefore pray for absolute prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as beverages."

That Commissioners, by order of His Excellency the Governor General, were appointed during the Recess with instructions "to visit the States of the neighboring Union in which Prohibitory Laws are, or have been in force, to make an enquiry into the success which has attended the working of such Laws and to report, as well as on other essential facts connected therewith."

That after a very careful examination of those Laws in those States where the same were enforced it was clearly shewn that crime and pauperism were reduced and the moral, social and material interests of society very beneficially affected; but that the success of those laws was largely dependent upon the favor with which they were received by those for whose benefit they were enacted.

That in view of these facts it is the opinion of this House that a Prohibitory Liquor Law fully carried out, is the only effectual remedy for the evils inflicted upon society by intemperance, and that Parliament is prepared as soon as public opinion will efficiently sustain stringent measures, to promote such legislation as will prohibit the manufacture, importation and sale of intoxicating liquors, so far as the same is within the competency of this House; and of Mr. *Schultz's* motion in amendment thereto, and which motion was:—"That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof:—"it be *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House a Prohibitory Liquor Law is the only effectual remedy for the evils of intemperance, and that it is the duty of the Government to submit such a measure for the approval of Parliament at the earliest moment practicable.'"

And the question being put on the said proposed amendment;

Mr. *Oliver* moved in amendment thereto, that all after the word "That" in the main motion be left out, and the following inserted instead thereof:—"this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of "the Whole, to consider as to measures best calculated to diminish the evils of intemperance;" which was agreed to.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In Committee.)

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex) proposed the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That having regard to the beneficial effect arising from Prohibitory Liquor Laws in those States of the American Union, where the same are fully carried out, this House is of the opinion, that the most effectual remedy for the evils of intemperance would be, to prohibit the manufacture, importation, and sale of intoxicating liquors.

Mr. *Bowell* proposed, that the following be added the said Resolution:—"and that it is the duty of the "Government to prepare a measure, at as early a day as possible, to carry the principle of prohibition into effect."

After some time spent therein, and progress having been reported, the Committee obtained leave to sit again on Monday next.

The Bill (No. 19) for suppressing Gaming Houses, and to punish the keepers thereof, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, and ordered for a third reading, on Monday next.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Wilkes—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a Statement of the quantity of Tea and Coffee imported into Canada from the United States, since the abolition of the duty of ten per cent to the 1st March, inst., with a Statement of the importation of said articles from the said country, over a similar period of the previous year; also Returns, as far as practicable, of the places in the United States from which such goods have been imported, and the average amounts of the various shipments.

Mr. McGregor—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—What measures the Government propose to take to collect in other parts of the Dominion the Excise Duties on Canadian Raw Leaf Tobacco, which now appear from the Inland Revenue Department Report, to be almost exclusively paid by the County of Essex?

Mr. Gillmor—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether, in the event of the Government of the United States granting an appropriation of Twenty-four Thousand Dollars for dredging and deepening the River St. Croix, the Government of the Dominion will grant a similar sum for the same purpose?

Mr. Barthe—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government appoint a Harbor Master for the City of Three Rivers, and when?

Mr. Barthe—On Tuesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to comply with the Petition of the inhabitants of the Town of Sorel in the District of Richelieu, (P. Q.), praying for the erection of a Custom House to serve also as a Post Office, and in which building the Inland Revenue and Harbor Masters' offices might in like manner be located?

Mr. Mosseau—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a copy of the instructions given by the Government to Mr. Paul de Caze, Emigration Agent in France, at the time of his departure, before, and since.

Mr. Palmer—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether or not two thousand tons of Steel Rails were purchased last autumn for the Intercolonial Railway, and if so, who acted for the Government in making such purchase, and from whom were the same purchased, and at what price were public tenders asked for, if so, how?

Mr. Cook—On Monday next—The following Resolutions:

That vast as is the trade of the West and North West it is daily increasing, and it is now apparent that the North-West Territories of this Dominion are most favorably situated in climate and location for agricultural purposes,

That it is highly desirable that increased facilities should be granted to the people of this Dominion to enable them to control the before mentioned trade, and to pour into the North-West Territories those who may desire to seek a home therein.

That it is therefore expedient and would tend to promote the best interests of this Dominion that the Harbor at Collingwood, the terminus of the Northern Railway on the Georgian Bay, should be deepened and improved so as to admit vessels drawing 15 feet of water.

Mr. Baby—In amendment to Bill No. 31—That in the Resolutions adopted at the Conference held at Quebec on the 10th October, 1864, and which served as the basis of "The British North America Act, 1867," it is set forth:—

2. In the Federation of the British North American Provinces, the system of Government best adapted under existing circumstances to protect the diversified interest of the several Provinces, and secure efficiency, harmony and permanency in the working of the Union, would be a General Government, charged with matters of common interest to the whole country; and Local Governments for each of the Canadas, and for the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, charged with the control of local matters in their respective sections.

6. There shall be a General Legislature or Parliament for the Federated Provinces.

29. The General Parliament shall have power to make laws for the peace, welfare and good government of the Federated Provinces, and especially laws respecting the following subjects.

34. The establishment of a General Court of Appeal for the Federated Provinces.

37. And generally respecting all matters of a general character, not specially and exclusively reserved for the Local Governments and Legislatures.

33. Rendering uniform all or any of the laws relative to property and civil rights in Upper Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, and rendering uniform the procedure of all or any of the Courts in these Provinces; but any Statute for this purpose shall have no force or authority in any Province until sanctioned by the Legislature thereof.

31. The General Parliament may also, from time to time, establish additional Courts, and the General Government may appoint Judges and officers thereof, when the same shall appear necessary or for the public advantage, in order to the due execution of the laws of Parliament.

32. All Courts, Judges, and officers of the several Provinces shall aid, assist and obey the General Government in the exercise of its rights and powers, and for such purposes shall be held to be Courts, Judges and officers of the General Government.

34. Until the Consolidation of the Laws of Upper Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, the Judges of these Provinces, appointed by the General Government, shall be elected from their respective Bars.

35. The Judges of the Courts of Lower Canada shall be selected from the Bar of Lower Canada.

43. The Local Legislatures shall have power to make laws respecting the following subjects:—

17. The Administration of Justice, including the Constitution, maintenance and organization of the Courts, both of Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction, and including also the Procedure in Civil matters.

That the several resolutions above cited are reproduced in substance in the said Act of Confederation; That by the said Bill No. 31 it is specially proposed to provide for an appeal to the Supreme Court, from all final judgments, as well as from all preliminary or interlocutory judgments, in the cases and in the manner therein mentioned, of Courts of final resort (whether Courts of Appeal or of original jurisdiction) in each Province of Canada; and for the institution of proceedings in Error before the said Supreme Court: and that, in consequence the said Bill would have the effect:—

1. Of virtually depriving each Province, in a very great proportion, of the *administration of justice*, the control of which is, by the Constitution, reserved exclusively to the *local* Legislatures and Governments, at least in so far as relates to laws respecting *Property* and *Civil Rights* and *civil Procedure* in each Province.

2. Of removing that administration of justice to Judges *indiscriminately* taken and selected from the *whole* of Canada, whereas by the Federal compact the Judges of each Province (except the Province of Quebec) are to be selected from the respective Bars of those Provinces, *so long as* their laws remain *unconsolidated*; and as to the Province of Quebec, in particular, its Judges are always to be selected from among the Members of the Bar of *that same Province*.

3. Of submitting the laws relating to *property*, to *civil right* and to *civil procedure* in the Province of Quebec, the causes and the fate of citizens of that Province to judges, who, for the most part are strangers to their language, their manners, their usages and their customs, to the origin of their codes and to the numerous commentators thereon, and to the practice of their Courts.

4. Of submitting and attributing to the said Supreme Court the management and control of matters which are *not common* to the *whole country*.

That the appeal now allowed in the Province of Quebec in certain cases to Her Majesty's Privy Council, was so authorised originally by a law of that Province (34 Geo. 3, Cap. 6.)

That (saving the inherent right of the Sovereign, or the Crown, to evoke every cause) by natural right, those amenable to the jurisdiction only, and by consequence *each* Province, should decide through how many degrees and classes of jurisdiction the administration of justice should pass in order to satisfy them.

That her Majesty's Privy Council, composed as it is of men acquainted, in general, with the English and French languages, as also with the laws and institutions of England and France, affords much greater security than the proposed Court for the safety of the civil and constitutional rights of the several nationalities which this country comprises.

That as respects the exercise and enforcing of all rights and powers of the General Parliament and Government of Canada, *for matters common* to the *whole country*, the courts and judges of the *several* Provinces are at present considered the Courts and Judges of Canada.

That in consequence the proposed establishment of the said Supreme Court and Court of Exchequer is not *now* desirable, and would not justify the considerable expense which they would entail upon the country, and the costs, frequently ruinous, which suitors amenable to their jurisdiction would have to incur.

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the *Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines*, on or after Saturday, the 27th instant:—

Bill (No. 103) to incorporate the Quebec and Huron Direct Railway.

Bill (No. 106) respecting the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company.

No. 32.

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No. 33.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 20TH MARCH, 1875.

Six Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *François Xavier Carron* and others, of the Parish of St. Roch, County of Quebec; of *William Halstead* and others, and of *R. E. Mitchell* and others, of Prince Arthur's Landing, District of Thunder Bay; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Fitzroy, County of Carleton; of *Ferris Lawrence* and others, of the Township of Trafalgar, and of the Reverend *James McAlister* and others, of Kilbride and vicinity, County of Halton; of *William F. Young* and others, of the Township of Erin, County of Wellington; of the Municipal Council of the County of Kent; of the Municipal Council of the Town of Chatham, Ontario, and of *David Vansickle* and others, of Croton, County of Kent; of *Daniel Young* and others, of McNab, of *Walter Amos* and others, of Castleford, and of *Mary A. Moore* and others, of Westmeath, County of Renfrew; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of Messrs. *Ross & Company*, Merchants, and others, of the City of Quebec, praying that the Bill now before Parliament to define and settle the duties, rights, and responsibilities of Carriers by land and water, may not become law.

Of Messrs. *Lymans, Clare & Company*, Merchants, and others, of the Cities of Montreal and Toronto; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to enable *Damon Rivers Averill* to obtain Letters Patent of Invention for certain improvements in Paint, may not become law.

Of *D. D. VanNorman* and others, of Prince Arthur's Landing, Thunder Bay; praying that Fort William may not be the terminus of the Fort Garry branch of the Canada Pacific Railway, but that the Railway may be extended to Prince Arthur's Landing.

Mr. *Laird* presented,—Return to Address of the 15th instant; for

1st. Copies of all documents relating to the appointment of *J. A. Hamel*, Esquire, of Malbaie, Physician, to vaccinate the Indians on the North Shore of the River St. Lawrence for the years 1868 and 1869; of the instructions furnished to him and of the reports made by him during the said two years on the subject.

2nd. A statement showing the number of Indians vaccinated by the said *J. A. Hamel* during the said two years; the accounts furnished by the said *J. A. Hamel*, and the amount of money paid to him by the Government for the services rendered;

3rd. Copies of all communications sent to the Government by the Reverend Father *Arnault* and others, during the said years 1868 and 1869 in relation to the said *J. A. Hamel*.

Also,—Return to Address of the 15th instant, for copies of all Orders in Council or other authority granted to certain American Steamboat proprietors, known as the "*Kitson Line*," to trade on the Red River, in the Province of Manitoba—said Company being reputed to discriminate in its rates of freight against merchandize from the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, and to have a practical monopoly of the trade on Red River.

He also laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Annual Report of the Department of the Interior, for the year ended, 30th June, 1874.

Mr. *Fournier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the fourth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee having had under their consideration Bill (No. 7) for the more effectual protection of carriers by land, and for the regulation of traffic throughout the Dominion; and Bill (No. 46) to define and settle the duties, rights, and responsibilities of carriers by land and water, referred to the Sub-Committee, who have agreed to the following Resolution:—

"*Resolved*,—That the Government having undertaken to take into their consideration the whole Law relating to Carriers, as well by land as by water, and to submit a measure on the subject to Parliament next Session, the Sub-Committee beg leave to report, that in their opinion the said Bill (Nos. 7 and 46) referred to them, be not further proceeded with, and that the matter be left in the hands of Government."

The Committee have adopted the said Resolution, and recommend the same to the favorable consideration of The House.

The Committee have also considered the following Bills, which they report *with amendments*, viz:—

No. 17. To extend and amend the Law requiring Railway Companies to furnish Returns of their Capital, Traffic and working expenditure.

No. 43. To amend the Act of incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the seventh Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 53) to incorporate "The Canadian Steam-Users' Association," *with amendments*.

Mr. *Jetté* introduced a Bill (No. 114) to amend the Railway Act, 1868.—Second reading on Monday next.

The Bill (No. 22) to provide means of escape for persons falling into the water in the vicinity of Wharves and Docks, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Bill (No. 29) respecting Insolvency, was considered in Committee of the Whole; and after some time spent therein, and progress having been reported,—the Committee obtained leave to sit again, on Monday next.

A Message was received from the Senate, with the following Bill (No. 115) of their own, intituled: "An Act to extend to the Province of Manitoba the Act for the more speedy trial, in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec," to which the concurrence of this House was desired. (On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), read the first time.—Second reading on Monday next.)

Also, agreeing to the Bill (No. 39) to amend the Gas Inspection Act, 1873, *with amendments*. (On motion of Mr. *Geoffrion*, the amendments were taken into consideration, and concurred in).

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Bernier*—On Monday next—COMMITTEE of the Whole on the following Resolution:—

That the three sections following the preamble of the Bill No. 44 be struck out and the following substituted:—

1. The thirteenth section of the Act mentioned in the preamble to this Act is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph at the end thereof:—

“The Governor in Council may, from time to time, order that the copyright of any class of designs, or any particular design registered, or which may be registered under the Trade mark and Design Act of 1868, may be extended for such term, not exceeding the additional term of five years, as the Governor in Council may think fit, and revoke or alter any such order as may, from time to time, appear necessary; and whenever any order is made by the Governor in Council under this provision, the same shall be registered in the office for the registration of designs, and during the extended term the protection and benefits conferred by the Act shall continue as fully as if the original term had not expired.

Mr. *Brouse*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government has decided to divide the \$50,000 granted for pensions to the Veterans of 1812, irrespective of the number who may be entitled to participate in such grant; and if not, do they propose to offer a fixed sum to each without regard to the rank he may have occupied in the service; and may not the successful applicants reasonably hope that they may receive an uniform pension of \$100?

Mr. *Fournier*—On Monday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE—To consider the following Resolutions:—

1. That it is expedient to provide for the appointment of Accountants in Insolvency under the Bill now before this House; and

2. That one such accountant shall be appointed for each of the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, and one for the three Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, conjointly; and

3. That each of such Accountants shall be paid a salary at the rate of four thousand dollars per annum, and

4. That each Accountant shall have the superintendence and control of all Assignees under the said Bill, official or otherwise, in the Province or Provinces for which he is appointed, and see that they comply with the provisions of the said Bill, and that their accounts and registers are kept and all their duties performed in a correct and uniform manner to his satisfaction, and that he shall have power to remove any Assignee appointed by the creditors, and to report to the Governor any Official Assignee whom he find to be acting illegally or irregularly, or to be neglectful of his duty or incompetent to the performance of it.

5. That each Accountant shall have access at all proper hours and times to the accounts, Registers and other documents kept by any Assignee or in his possession as such, and may be present at any meeting of creditors under the said Bill and may advise Assignees, Inspectors, or Creditors on any question arising under the said Bill.

6. That each Accountant shall keep a general Register of Insolvencies in his Province or Provinces, and make an annual Report to the Minister of Justice in the month of January in each year, in such form and with such details as the Minister may direct; and such Report shall be laid before Parliament at its then next sitting.

7. That the Governor in Council may impose a rate or tax on dividends declared under the said Bill, to defray the salaries of the Accountants and their clerks, and other expenses consequent on their appointment.

Mr. *Tupper*—On Tuesday next—That in the opinion of this House the expenditure of several millions of public money for the construction of eighty-five miles of railway, from the vicinity of Burnt Lake to the mouth of French River, is unwise; and that the contract laid on the table of the House between the Government and the Hon. A. B. *Poster*, be not approved.

No. 33.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 22ND MARCH, 1875.

Six Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Quebec Board of Trade; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to define and settle the duties, rights and responsibilities of Carriers by land and water, may not become law.

Of the Quebec Board of Trade; praying that no Act to alter the Constitution of the Quebec Harbor Commission, and for the transfer of the decayed Pilot fund from Trinity House of Quebec to the Corporation of Pilots, may become law.

Of the Quebec Board of Trade; praying that the Bill now before Parliament, to amend the Act to make better provision respecting the inspection of certain staple articles of Canadian produce, may not become law, but that the compulsory Inspection of Fish and Fish Oils may be continued.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of London, Ontario; praying that no change may be made in the Insolvent Act of 1869, but that it may be continued as a permanent statute.

Of *James Shannon*, Official Assignee at Kingston, County of Frontenac; praying that Official Assignees may be appointed by the local Boards of Trade, as formerly.

Of Messrs. *H. & A. Allan*, Merchants, and others, of the City of Montreal; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to define and settle the duties, rights and responsibilities of Carriers by land and water, may not be proceeded with this Session.

Of *E. T. Hewson* and others, of Garnet, County of Haldimand; of *William J. Elmer* and others, of East Gwillimbury, County of York, Ontario; of the Municipality of Barford; of *H. Crozier* and others, and of *James Murdock* and others, of the Township of Egremont, County of Grey; of *C. H. Peters* and others, of the City of Saint John, County of Saint John, New Brunswick; of *Miles M. Miller* and others, of Ludlow and other places in the County of Northumberland, New Brunswick; of *Andrew Kirstine* and others, of the Township of Brant, County of Bruce; of *S. D. Clothier* and others, of the Township of Madoc, and of *H. M. Hicks*, A. M. and others, of the Village of Trenton, County of Hastings; of *R. F. Langford* and others, and of *William Dunn* and others, of Prescott, County of Grenville; of *John Kennedy* and others, of part of the Indian lands, County of Glengarry; of *M. E. Pearen* and others, of Sawyerville, of *D. Worby* and others, of Eaton, County of Compton; and of *John A. Sanderson* and others, of the Townships of Maryboro' and Peel, County of Wellington; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Motion being made, that the Petition of the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the Commissioner of Customs to grant an exemption from duty on such rolling stock, as may be, or has been imported by them, be now read and received.

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the prayer of this Petition involves a public charge, it cannot be received, unless recommended by the Crown.”

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—List of Stockholders of the Bank of British North America, on the 1st January, 1875, under the provisions of the Act 34 *viz.*; Cap. 5, Sec. 12;—and

General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials for the Districts of Arthabaska, Beauce, Chicoutimi, Quebec, Richelieu, and St. Francis, and for the County of Compton, for the year 1874.

Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton) presented,—Return to Address of the 15th instant; for copies of all correspondence with the Government of British Columbia or with any person on behalf of that Government respecting the construction of a first class Graving Dock at Esquimaux; also copies of any Order in Council on the same subject; and also copies of the correspondence with enclosures between the Secretary of State and Mr. DeCosmos in 1874, respecting the said Graving Dock; also a copy of the Resolution submitted to The House by the Government during the last Session of Parliament respecting the said Dock; also a copy of the first Bill submitted to Parliament last Session, to carry out the object of the said Resolution; and also a copy of the Act of last Session providing for aid in construction of said Dock, in lieu of the guarantee of interest in section twelve of the Terms of Union with British Columbia.

Mr. Holton, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the eighth Report of the said Committee, reporting the two following Bills, *with amendments, viz.* :—

No. 71. To amend the act 37 *Vict.*, Cap. 115, incorporating “The International Express Company.”

No. 59. To incorporate “The Metropolitan Insurance Company of Canada.”

And the Bill (No. 54) relating to Interest and Usury in the Province of New Brunswick, *without amendment.*

Mr. Maclellan, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the second Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 75) to authorize *François Xavier Galarneau* and others, to build a Bridge over the River L'Assomption, in the Parish of L'Assomption, *with amendments.*

As the Session is probably approaching its close, the Committee recommend that the notice required by Rule 60 to be given by Committees prior to the consideration of Private Bills, be reduced to three days, for the remainder of the Session.

Mr. Smith (Westmoreland) introduced the following three Bills, which were severally ordered for a second reading, to-morrow, *viz.* :—

No. 116. Respecting the Trinity House and Harbor Commissioners of Quebec.

No. 117. To amend the Acts 36 *Vict.*, Cap. 9, and 37 *Vict.* Cap. 34, respecting the appointment of Harbor Masters.

No. 118. Respecting Certificates to Masters of Inland and Coasting Ships.

Mr. Fournier introduced a Bill (No. 119) to remove certain difficulties in the administration of the Criminal Law.—Second reading to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time and passed, *viz.* :—

No. 36. To incorporate the Royal Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada.

No. 61. To incorporate the National Insurance Company.

No. 43. To amend the Acts of incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.

No. 53. To incorporate “The Canadian Steam-Users' Association.”

The following two Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, *viz.* :—

No. 101. To change the name of “The Mutual Insurance Company of Canada” to “The Dominion Life Assurance Company,” and to amend their Act of incorporation.

No. 102. To change the corporate name of the St. Lawrence Navigation Company (Steam), and to confer on it certain powers.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the amendments made by this House to the Bill (No. 96) of their own, intituled: “An Act still further to amend the Patent Act, 1872, and to extend the same, as amended, to Prince Edward Island, *without any amendment.*”

Also, agreeing to the Bill (No. 2) to regulate the construction and maintenance of Marine Electric Telegraphs, *with amendments.* (On motion of Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton), the said amendments were read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow.)

On motion of Mr. Plumb, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all papers, instructions, and Memoranda, connected with the negotiation with the Government of the United States, for a Treaty of Commercial Reciprocity.

On motion of Mr. *DeCosmos* it was *Resolved*, That in view of extending the Commerce of the Dominion on the Pacific, it is desirable that the Government take into consideration the advisableness of securing a Commercial Treaty between Canada and the Hawaiian Kingdom, similar to the Treaty negotiated between that Kingdom and the United States.

Mr. *Cameron* (South Ontario) moved, that an Address be voted to Her Majesty, praying that she will be graciously pleased to instruct her Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to enter into communication with Foreign Powers, with a view to the further improvement of International Law, and the establishment of a general and permanent system of International Arbitration.

Mr. *Dymond* moved, in amendment thereto, to leave out all after the word "that," and to insert the following instead thereof:—"This House will, at all times, be ready to give its best consideration to any practical Legislation that may tend to promote international intercourse, and thus, by establishing a community of interest between Canada and Foreign States, secure the maintenance of peace."

And a Debate arising thereon, both amendment and main motion were, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

Mr. *DeCosmos* moved, that it be *Resolved*, That the practice of granting divorces by Act of Parliament is for many reasons objectionable; and that relief in all matters matrimonial would be best secured by a Court constituted in each Province, with exclusive jurisdiction in matters matrimonial, and with authority in certain cases to decree the dissolution of a marriage; which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Borron,	Laird,	Shibley,	Thompson [<i>Cariboo</i>].—5
De Cosmos,			

NAYS :

Me-sieurs

Aylmer,	Cuthbert,	Jones, (<i>Halifax</i>)	Orton,
Baby,	Delorme,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Onimet,
Bain,	Desjardins,	Kerr,	Paterson,
Barthe,	De St. Georges,	Kirkpatrick,	Pelletier,
Béchar,	Donahue,	Lafamme,	Perry,
Bernier,	Dugas,	Lajoie,	Pettes,
Bertram,	Dymond,	Lauderkin,	Plumb,
Biggar,	Farrow,	Langlois,	Pouliot,
Blackburn,	Fiset,	Lanthier,	Pozer,
Blake,	Fleming,	Laurier,	Richard,
Borden,	Flesher,	Macdonald (<i>Cornwall</i>),	Robitaille,
Bourassa,	Flynn,	Macdonald (<i>Glengarry</i>),	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Bowell,	Forbes,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Bowman,	Fournier,	McDonald (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ross (<i>Prince-Edward</i>),
Brooks,	Fréchette,	Macdonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Rouleau,
Brown,	Galbraith,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Scriven,
Buell,	Gaudet,	McDougall (<i>Renfrew</i>),	Sinclair,
Burk,	Geoffrion,	McKay [<i>Colchester</i>],	Skinner,
Burpee, (<i>St. John</i>)	Gibson,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Smith [<i>Peel</i>],
Caron,	Gill,	Maclellan,	Stirton,
Cartwright,	Gillies,	McCallum,	St. Jean,
Casey,	Gillmor,	McCraney,	Taschereau,
Casgrain,	Gordon,	McGregor,	Thibaudeau,
Cauchon,	Goudge,	McIntyre,	Thompson [<i>Haldimand</i>],
Charlton,	Hagar,	MeIsaac,	Tremblay,
Cheval,	Hall,	Mills,	Trow,
Church,	Harwood,	Moffatt,	Vail,
Cimon,	Holton,	Monteith,	Wallace [<i>Norfolk</i>],
Cockburn,	Horton,	Montplaisir,	White,
Coffin,	Huntington,	Moss,	Wilkes,
Costigan,	Hurteau,	Mousseau,	Vail,
Coupal,	Irving,	Norris,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>),
Cunningham,	Jetté,	Oliver,	Yeo.—134.
Cushing,	Jodoin,		

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Fournier*—On Thursday next—BILL to make further provision respecting the Extradition of Criminals.

Mr. *Fournier*—On Thursday next—BILL to amend an Act passed in the 32nd and 33rd years of Her Majesty's Reign, chapter twenty-one, and intituled "An Act respecting Larceny and other similar offences."

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—On Wednesday next—BILL to repeal certain Acts of the Province of Nova Scotia relating to River Fisheries.

Mr. *Wallace* (Norfolk)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether and when it is the intention of the Government to appoint a Judge for the County of Norfolk?

Mr. *Wallace* (Norfolk)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether, in consideration of the petitions that have been presented to this House, praying for the passage of a Prohibitory Liquor Law, it is the intention of the Government to initiate, sanction or aid legislation to prohibit the manufacture, importation or sale of wines and spirituous and malt liquors?

Mr. *Wallace* (Norfolk)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether, during the Parliamentary Recess, it is the intention of the Government to renew negotiations for a Reciprocity Treaty with the United States?

Mr. *Wallace* (Norfolk)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to re-arrange the Tariff, so as to provide for the imposition of duties on all articles the product of the soil or of the farm, when coming into Canada from the United States, so long as duties are levied by the United States upon similar articles going from Canada into the American Market?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Government have done away with the Way Office at the Flannagan Settlement, on the road between Richibucto and Miramichi; and if so, for what reason, and whether they intend to restore it?

Mr. *Fraser*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to impose any duty on Foreign flour, imported into and consumed in the Dominion of Canada; if so, when and what amount?

Mr. *Caron*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—For what reason *George Henry Bramley*, Esquire, of the Town of Sorel, has been dismissed as Harbour Master of the Port of Sorel, and *Pierre Bellefeuille* appointed in his place; and for what reason the Government refuses to pay the said *George Henry Bramley* the sum of \$212.50 for services as Harbour Master of Sorel from 1st January, 1874, to 15th September of same year, and \$100 for services in superintending repairing and rigging Floating Lights Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Lake St. Peter?

Mr. *McDonald* (Cape Breton)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether, owing to the large amount of business in the Coal Trade from Port Caledonia and from Little Glace Bay Harbours, and owing to the large amount of private capital invested in those Harbours, the Government would send the Government Steam Dredge after it has finished at Lingan, to assist in further deepening the entrance into those harbours respectively?

Mr. *Mackenzie*, (Lambton)—On Wednesday next—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to consider the following Resolutions:

That it is expedient to revoke the power given to the Quebec Harbour Commissioners, by the Act 36 *Vict.*, Chap. 62, Sec. 23, to borrow money to the extent therein mentioned, to be applied, (with such moneys as might be voted by Parliament for the same purpose) towards defraying the expense of constructing a Graving Dock in the Harbour of Quebec, and to provide,—

1. That the Governor in Council may raise by way of loan, by the issue of Debentures bearing interest payable half yearly, at a rate not exceeding five per cent. per annum, such sum of money not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars, as may with other sums voted by Parliament for the same purpose be requisite to defray the expense of constructing a Graving Dock in the Harbour of Quebec of the dimensions and in the manner to be defined by an Act to be passed in that behalf.

2. That the moneys so raised or appropriated shall not be advanced to the said Quebec Harbor Commissioners, except only as the work advances and on proper certificates and Reports of the Minister of Public Works and of Marine and Fisheries to the effect, to be prescribed in the said Act.

3. That the said Quebec Harbor Commissioners shall have power to impose tolls for the use of the said Graving Dock; and that the net income from such tolls shall be paid over to the Receiver General, to be applied in the first instance to the payment of the interest (at a rate not exceeding five per cent. per annum) on the said \$500,000, or so much thereof as may have been raised as aforesaid, and advanced to them, and secondly to the formation of a sinking fund for the payment of the principal sum so raised and

advanced, provided that in case that the net income from the said tolls should in any year be insufficient to pay the interest aforesaid, then the said Quebec Harbor Commissioners shall pay to the Receiver General out of the general funds of their corporation, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars per annum, until the debt to the Government is paid, such payment to be a charge upon the said general funds next after any now existing charge on the same.

4. That the Harbour Commissioners of Montreal shall, out of their general funds, pay to the Quebec Harbour Commissioners a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars per annum, for the period of years next hereafter, in respect of the said Graving Dock, and the sum so paid shall be deemed income derived by the said Quebec Harbour Commissioners from the said Dock,—and shall be a charge on the general funds of the Montreal Harbour Commissioners next after any now existing charges thereon.

5. That the Act 25 Vict., Chap. 6 respecting the Public Debt and loans shall apply to any loan raised under this Act.

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Thursday next—That it is desirable that the tax of seventy cents per head imposed by the State of California on all passengers, except American Citizens, who may arrive in the Port of San Francisco, on steamer or sailing vessel from British Columbia, be removed, and that the matter be brought under the notice of the Government of the United States.

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Thursday next—That it is desirable that negotiations should be opened with the Imperial Government in order to learn on what conditions Canada may be admitted to a full and complete share in all the national rights, privileges, powers and responsibilities of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

PRIVATE BILLS' NOTICE.

The following Bills were this day posted for consideration by the *Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce*, on or after Monday, the 29th instant :—

No. 191. To change the name of "The Mutual Insurance Company" to "The Dominion Life Assurance Company" and to amend their Act of incorporation.

No. 192. To change the corporate name of the St. Lawrence Navigation Company (Steam), and to confer on it certain powers.

No. 34.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 23RD MARCH, 1875.

Four Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Fournier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the fifth Report of the said Committee, reporting the following two Bills, *with amendments, viz:—*

No. 56. To consolidate the enactments relating to the Northern Railway Company of Canada, and to provide for the consolidation of the Loan Capital of the Company.

No. 64. For granting further powers to the Montreal, Chambly and Sorel Railway Company, and to change its name.

Also, reporting the Bill (No. 87) respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, *without amendment*.

As the Session is probably approaching its close, the Committee recommend that the notice required by Rule 60 to be given by Committees, prior to the consideration of Private Bills, be reduced to three days for the remainder of the Session.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) introduced a Bill (No. 120) respecting the Graving Dock in the Harbor of Quebec, and authorizing the raising of a loan in respect thereof.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Geoffrion* moved, that the Bill (No. 85) to amend the Act, Chapter 46 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, entitled: "An Act respecting the culling of Timber," be now read a third time.

Mr. *McDougall* (Renfrew) moved in amendment, that the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend Clause 6, by inserting the word "fees" after the word "salaries," and expunging, after the word "proper," the remainder of that Clause; which was agreed to.

The House accordingly went again into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill, and amended it in conformity therewith; the Bill was then reported as amended, and the amendments concurred in.

And the question being put, that the Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. *Currier* moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to expunge the word "salaries" in Clause 6; which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Cimon* then moved in amendment, that the said Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to expunge in the first section thereof the words:—"and the fourth sub-section of section forty-six;" which was negatived on a division.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed, *viz:—*

No. 83. To provide for the salaries of County Court Judges in the Province of Nova Scotia, and for other purposes.

No. 90. Further to amend the Act respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed Mariners.

The following Bills were severally read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow, viz:—

No. 104. To amend "An Act respecting the appropriation of certain Dominion Lands of Manitoba."

No. 107. Respecting the shipping of Seamen in the Inland Waters of Canada.

The Bill (No. 112) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act respecting defective Letters Patent, and the discharge of securities to the Crown," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, the amendment concurred in, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 115) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to extend to the Province of Manitoba, the Act for the more speedy trial, in certain cases, of persons charged with Felonies and Misdemeanors in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill (No. 68) to amend the Immigration Act, 1872," *without amendment*.

Also, agreeing to the amendments made by this House to the Bill (No. 88) of their own, intituled: "An Act respecting Copyrights," *without any amendment*.

Also, agreeing to the Bill (No. 62) further to amend "An Act respecting the administration of Justice, and for the establishment of a Police Force in the North-West Territories," *with amendments*.—(On motion of Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton), the said amendments were taken into consideration, and agreed to).

Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton) moved, that the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill (No. 2) to regulate the construction and maintenance of Marine Electric Telegraphs, be now read a second time.

Mr. Bowell moved in amendment, that the following be added to the amendment made to the 14th section of the said Act, immediately following the words "Canada Gazette" in said clause:—"giving notice "at the same time, that said other Company has stipulated with the Government that the rates for the "transmission of Messages will not be greater than those charged at the date of said notice, by the then "existing Companies."

Objection having been taken to the proposed amendment;

Mr. Speaker ruled:—"As this amendment creates a new provision, and is not at all consequent upon, or relevant to the amendment of the Senate, it is out of Order, and cannot be put to The House."

Mr. Tupper then moved in amendment, that the word "three" before the word "months" in the 14th section be expunged, and the word "twelve" substituted in lieu thereof; which was negatived on a division.

The said amendments were then read a second time, and concurred in.

The Bill (No. 18) to amend the Acts respecting *Controverted Elections*, was read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 91) to amend the Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 113) further to amend "The Pilotage Act, 1873," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that the Clerk of the House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, a Certificate of the Election and Return of *Nathaniel Higinbotham*, Esq., member to represent the Electoral District of the N. R. of the County of Wellington.

Nathaniel Higinbotham, Esq., member for the N. R. of the County of Wellington, having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

The Bill [No. 29] respecting Insolvency, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, and the Bill ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *with amendments*, viz:—

No. 15. To amend the Act to incorporate "The London and Canada Bank," and to change the name thereof to that of "The Bank of the United Provinces." [On motion of Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton) the said amendments were concurred in].

No. 26. To incorporate "The *Intelligencer* Printing and Publishing Company." [On motion of Mr. Bowell, the said amendment was concurred in].

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. Schultz—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for Return of instructions to Land Officer at Winnipeg, relative to distribution of 1,400,000 acres grant to Half-breed children; issue of scrip to Half-breed heads of families and settlement of the Hay Privilege; also a Return of all Patents issued up to 30th December, 1874, for lands in the Settlement belt of the Province of Manitoba.

Mr. Cartwright—To-morrow—IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE—Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 Vic., ch. 44, so far as the same relates to the collection of Export Duties upon Stave Bolts and Oak Logs, as provided under Schedule F of the said Act, and that the said Duty upon Stave Bolts and Oak Logs should be repealed.

Mr. Fournier—On Thursday next—BILL entitled "An Act to amend an Act respecting the Elections of Members of the House of Commons."

Mr. Devlin—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for copies of papers and correspondence referring to *Wm. B. O'Donohoe*, in connection with the late troubles in Manitoba and to the cause of his exclusion from the amnesty recently recommended by this Honorable House and from him to the Government or any officer of the House of Commons.

Mr. Schultz—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, for a Return of all papers connected with the preliminary examination and trial of *Ambroise Lepine*, including—1. Indictment; 2. Pleas to the Jurisdiction; 3. Judgment of the Chief Justice on the demurrer to the plea; 4. Report of the Trial and evidence with the Judge's charge as reported by him, with the Exhibits filed; 5. The remarks of the Judge in pronouncing upon the prisoner the sentence of the Law.

No. 85.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 24TH MARCH, 1875.

Eleven Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *George Wilton* and others, of the Province of Nova Scotia; of *George Vanhorn* and others, of Markham, County of York, Ontario; of the Municipal Council of the Township of Grimsby, County of Lincoln; and of *James Harris* and others, of the Town of Portland, County of St. John, New Brunswick; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of the Warden and Council of the County of Simcoe; praying that their vested rights as stockholders in the Northern Railway of Canada, may be respected.

Motion being made, that the Petition of the North Shore Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act, authorizing the Commissioner of Customs to grant an exemption from duty on such rolling stock, as may be imported by them, be now read and received.

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the prayer of this Petition involved a public charge, it cannot be received, unless recommended by the Crown.”

Mr. *Huntington* presented,—Return to Address of the 15th instant;—for a copy of the Bill passed in the last Session of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, intituled: “An Act to divide in three parts the Registry Division of Montreal.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the ninth Report of the said Committee, reporting the following two Bills, *with amendments*, viz:—

No. 92 from the Senate, intituled: “An Act to provide for the amalgamation of the Niagara District Bank with the Imperial Bank of Canada.”

No. 58. To incorporate “The Canada Land Investment Guarantee Company (limited).”

Mr. *Fournier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented the sixth Report of said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 24) to incorporate the Pictou Coal and Iron Company, *with amendments*.

Mr. *Cartwright* introduced a Bill (No. 121) to amend “The Fisheries Act.”—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Fournier* introduced a Bill (No. 122) to amend an Act passed in the 32nd and 33rd year of Her Majesty's reign, chaptered 21, intituled: “An Act respecting Larceny, and other similar offences.”—Second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution, respecting the repeal of export duty imposed on Stave Bolts and Oak Logs.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted :—

Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 Vic., ch. 44, so far as the same relates to the collection of Export Duties upon Stave Bolts and Oak Logs, as provided under Schedule F of the said Act, and that the said duty upon Stave Bolts and Oak Logs should be repealed.

Resolution to be reported.

Report to be received to-morrow.

Mr. Mackenzie (Lambton) introduced a Bill (No. 123) further to amend the General Act respecting Railways.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Orton moved, that a Select Committee be appointed, composed of Messrs. Orton, Biggar, Harwood, Perry, Wallace (Norfolk), Fleming, McQuade, Burk, Gaudet, McGregor, Bunster, Ross (Prince Edward), Montsith, Coupal, and Farrow, on the Agricultural interests of the Dominion, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

And a Debate arising thereon, at 6 o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker adjourned The House, until half-past seven o'clock P. M.

7.30 P. M.

(The Order for Private Bills, etc., was called under Rule 19.)

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz* :—

No. 71. To amend the Act 37 Victoria, chapter 115, incorporating "The International Express Company."

No. 59. To incorporate "The Metropolitan Insurance Company of Canada."

No. 56. To re-arrange the Capital of the Northern Railway Company of Canada, to consolidate the enactments relating to the said Company, to enable the said Company to change the gauge of its Railway, and to amalgamate with the Northern Extension Railways Company; and for other purposes (*amended*.)

No. 64. To change the name of the Montreal, Chambly and Sorel Railway Company, to the Montreal, Portland and Boston Railway Company.

No. 87. Respecting the Canada Central Railway Company.

The Bill (No. 75) to authorize *François Xavier Galarneau*, and others, to build a bridge over the River L'Assomption, in the Parish of L'Assomption, was considered in Committee of the Whole;—and progress having been reported, the Committee obtained leave to sit again, to-morrow.

Mr. MacLennan, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the third Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 82) from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Gas Lighting Company," *with amendments*.

The Bill (No. 19) for suppressing Gaming Houses, and to punish the keepers thereof, was read a third time, and passed.

The amendments made in Committee of the Whole, on the 19th instant, to the Bill (No. 23) to amend the Act for the more speedy trial, in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, were taken into consideration, and agreed to, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz* :—

No. 8. To prevent cruelty to animals while in transit by railway, or other means of conveyance, within the Dominion of Canada.

No. 17. To extend and amend the Law requiring Railroad Companies to furnish Returns of their capital, traffic and working expenditure.

No. 54. Relating to Interest and Usury in the Province of New Brunswick.

The Bill (No. 13) to provide for the institution of suits against the Crown by Petition of right, and respecting procedure in Crown suits, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, and the Bill ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

Mr. Irving moved, that the Bill (No. 9) to repeal an Act to amend the Criminal Law relating to Violence, Threats, and Molestation, be now read the second time.

And a Debate arising thereon, the said Debate was adjourned, until to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 70) to amend the Act to make better provision for the Inspection of certain staple articles of Canadian produce, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—To-morrow—COMMITTEE OF WHOLE to consider the following Resolution: That it is expedient that the Act of the Legislature of Prince Edward Island, intituled; "An Act to provide for the collection in this Island of the Cape Race Light House Toll," be repealed.

Mr. *Mousseau*—In amendment to Bill No. 31:—That Section 3 of the said Bill be struck out and the following section substituted therefor, and that the remainder of the said Bill be so changed as to accord with this amendment:—

"3. The Supreme Court shall consist of a Chief Justice who shall be called "The High Chancellor of Canada," and of two Judges of each of the Provinces of the Dominion, namely, the Chief Justice and the Chancellor of the Province of Ontario; the Chief Justice of the Court of Queen's Bench and the Chief Justice of the Superior Court of the Province of Quebec; the Chief Justice and the Puisne Judge first in rank by seniority of appointment of the highest Court of each of the other Provinces.

"1. The High Chancellor and one of the said two Judges of each of the said Provinces shall constitute a quorum to take cognizance of a case, matter, or thing with reference to which jurisdiction is given to the said Supreme Court.

"2. The jurisdiction of the said Supreme Court shall extend to the Constitutional question indicated in sections 55, 56 and 57 of the said Bill and to those in relation to which any Province may give to the said Court cognizance and jurisdiction in the manner prescribed by Section 58 of this Act."

"3. The said Supreme Court shall also have cognizance of appeals in matters of *Controverted Elections*, in cases and in the manner provided for by Section 59 of this Act."

"4. The jurisdiction of the said Supreme Court shall extend only to the matters aforesaid and to no other matter or thing whatsoever."

"5. The said Supreme Court shall hold one Term each year and the beginning and duration thereof shall be determined by an Order of the Governor in Council and published in the *Canada Gazette*."

"6. The said Supreme Court may further adjourn from time to time, and be convened in the manner directed by Section 15 of this Act."

And that it be further *Resolved*, That the Courts of the several Provinces of Canada having both original and appellate jurisdiction (in the same manner as those of Manitoba and British Columbia) in cases relating to the Revenue and other matters set forth in Section 63 of the said Bill, have discharged to the satisfaction of all, the duties which devolved upon them in the hearing and determining of such cases;—and that

The establishment of a Court of Exchequer is not at the present time more to be decided for the other Provinces of Canada than for British Columbia or Manitoba, and that therefore the said Section 63 of the said Bill No. 31, and all provisions relating to it, be struck out.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton)—On Saturday next—That Government Orders shall have precedence on Mondays for the remainder of the Session.

Mr. *De Cosmos*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Hon. the Premier is aware that the letter found on page 11 of the "Message relating to the Terms of Union with the Province of British Columbia, *viz* :—

"Feb. 21, 1874.

"Sir,—The bearer is *James D. Edgar*, Esquire, Barrister, Toronto, who visits Columbia as the Agent of the Dominion Government, to consult with your Government with reference to the late agitation concerning an extension of time for the construction of the Pacific Railway beyond that provided in the Terms of Union. Mr. *Edgar* will explain to Your Excellency our anxiety to do everything in our power to meet the views of your people.

"He will be glad to receive your suggestions concerning matters which require attention.

"I am, Sir, very respectfully,

"Your obedient servant,

"(Signed), A. MACKENZIE.

"His Excellency T. W. TRUTCH,

"Lieutenant Governor

"Victoria, British Columbia."

was never delivered to Governor *Trutch* by Mr. *J. D. Edgar*, nor any one else.

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—What are the reasons why His Excellency the Governor General disallowed "An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws affecting Crown Lands in British Columbia;" and also "An Act to make provision for the better administration of Justice in British Columbia."

No. 36.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 25TH MARCH, 1875.

Seven Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of Messrs. *Fitch* and *Eby* and others, Merchants, of the City of Toronto; praying that a Committee, may be appointed to enquire into the present state of the import trade of Canada, so far as relates to Tea and Coffee; and that if found expedient, the former law which imposed a ten per cent. discriminatory duty on Tea and Coffee coming from the United States into Canada may be restored, until the United States repeal their duty of ten per cent. on the same goods going from Canada to the United States.

Of the Fruit Growers' Association of the Province of Ontario; praying that an Act may be passed during the present Session enacting that the capacity of the Apple Barrel shall be one hundred quarts, dry measure, and the capacity of the Peach Basket and Peach Crate shall be each thirty-two quarts.

Of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Motion being made, that the Petition of *E. McGillivray* and others, of the City of Ottawa; praying for an Act of incorporation under the name of "The Canadian Lumber and Timber Association," be now read and received.

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That the time having expired for presenting Petitions for Private Bills, it “cannot be received.”

Mr. *Bowell*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the tenth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee having carefully examined the following documents, recommend that they be printed viz:—

Return to Address,—Memorandum of the Chief Engineer of the Canadian Pacific Railway, referred to in a Report of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by the Governor General on the 7th June, 1873.

Return to Address,—Copy of the Contract entered into between James King, Esq., of Halifax, N. S., and the Government, for the purpose of running a Steamer between Georgetown, P. E. I. and Pictou, N. S., during the winter season.

Statement of payments to the Judges of the Province of Quebec on account of travelling expenses from 1st July, 1867, to 30th June, 1874.

Return to Address,—Statement of all moneys in the hands of Financial Agents at the credit of the Dominion on the 20th February last.

Return to Address,—Papers and Correspondence relating to the construction of Booms, Piers and other works on the Gatineau River in 1873-4—(Portions only.)

Return to Address,—Correspondence with the Government of British Columbia respecting the construction of a first class Graving Dock at Esquimaux, &c., &c.

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Government of the Dominion and the Local Government of Prince Edward Island, and with the Imperial Government and the landed proprietors, relating to a Bill passed by the Local Legislature of that Province entitled: "The Land Purchase Bill of 1874."—(Portions only.)

The Committee also recommend that the following documents *be not printed*.

Return to Address,—Statement of the number of persons killed or injured on the different Railroads of Canada, the cause of the accident, and the amount of the claims paid, &c.

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Government of Prince Edward Island concerning the contract for the construction of the Railway on the Island, and handing the same over to the Government, &c., &c.

Return to Address,—Relating to the Mississagua Indian Tribe now settled upon Seugog Island.

General Rules made by Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench for Ontario, under and by virtue of "The Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874."

Return to Address,—Correspondence, &c., since the 31st March, 1874, on the subject of an Act respecting British Copyright Works passed in 1872.

Return to Address,—Relating to the appointment of J. A. Hamel, Esq., of Malbaie, Physician, to vaccinate the Indians on the North Shore of the River St. Lawrence, for the years 1868 and 1869.

Return to Address,—Orders in Council or other authority granted to certain American steamboat proprietors known as the "Kitson Line," to trade on the Red River, in the Province of Manitoba, &c.

Lists of the Shareholders of the several Banks of the Dominion of Canada, in compliance with the Act 34 Vic., cap. 5, sec. 12.

Geological Survey of Canada,—Report of Progress for 1873-4 (not to be reprinted for the Sessional Papers), but the Committee would respectfully recommend that in future the edition to be printed will be sufficiently large to give the Members of the Senate and the Members of the House of Commons each three copies, instead of one copy as at present, the extra cost of the additional number to be paid for by the Clerk of the Joint Committee on Printing, out of the moneys appropriated for the Printing of Parliament.

On motion of Mr. Mckenzie (Lambton), The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution for the purpose of revoking the power given to the Quebec Harbor Commissioners under the Act 36 Vic., cap. 62, sec. 23, and providing other means for raising the sum requisite to defray the expense of constructing a Graving Dock in the Harbor of Quebec.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to revoke the power given to the Quebec Harbour Commissioners, by the Act 36 Vic., Chap. 62, Sec. 23, to borrow money to the extent therein mentioned, to be applied, (with such moneys as might be voted by Parliament for the same purpose) towards defraying the expense of constructing a Graving Dock in the Harbour of Quebec, and to provide,—

1. That the Governor in Council may raise by way of loan, by the issue of Debentures bearing interest payable half yearly, at a rate not exceeding five per cent. per annum, such sum of money not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars, as may with other sums voted by Parliament for the same purpose be requisite to defray the expense of constructing a Graving Dock in the Harbour of Quebec of the dimensions and in the manner to be defined by an Act to be passed in that behalf.

2. That the moneys so raised or appropriated shall not be advanced to the said Quebec Harbor Commissioners, except only as the work advances and on proper certificates and Reports of the Minister of Public Works and of Marine and Fisheries to the effect, to be prescribed in the said Act.

3. That the said Quebec Harbor Commissioners shall have power to impose tolls for the use of the said Graving Dock; and that the net income from such tolls shall be paid over to the Receiver General, to be applied in the first instance to the payment of the interest (at a rate not exceeding five per cent. per annum) on the said \$500,000, or so much thereof as may have been raised as aforesaid, and advanced to them, and secondly to the formation of a sinking fund for the payment of the principal sum so raised and advanced, provided that in case that the net income from the said tolls should in any year be insufficient to pay the interest aforesaid, then the said Quebec Harbor Commissioners shall pay to the Receiver General out of the general funds of their corporation, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars per annum, until the debt to the Government is paid, such payment to be a charge upon the said general funds next after any now existing charge on the same.

4. That the Harbour Commissioners of Montreal shall, out of their general funds, pay to the Quebec Harbour Commissioners a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars per annum, for the period of forty years next hereafter, in respect of the said Graving Dock, and the sum so paid shall be deemed income derived by the said Quebec Harbour Commissioners from the said Dock,—and shall be a charge on the general funds of the Montreal Harbour Commissioners next after any now existing charges thereon.

5. That the Act 35 Vic., Chap. 6 respecting the Public Debt and loans shall apply to any loan raised under this Act.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Mackenzie* presented,—Return to Address of the 15th instant, for a statement shewing the number of pieces of square timber, spars, masts, deals and boards exported, from the month of April, 1874, up to this date, from the Counties of Chicoutimi and Saguenay; the said statements to specify the kinds of timber, the quantity of each kind, the places where the timber was shipped, the names of the proprietors and of the agents of the establishments where the timber was exported.

Also,—Return to Address of the 22nd February last; for all correspondence between the Government or their officers and the Spring Hill Mining Company, for all Orders in Council, relating to the said Company; and any agreements that may have been made with the same.

And also,—Return to Address of the 3rd instant; for copies of all Estimates and Reports of the Engineers in charge of the Welland Canal, showing the cost of removing the rock bottom at Raney's Bend, with a view to obtaining Lake Erie level.

Mr. *Macdonald* (Glengarry), presented,—Supplementary Return to Address of the 18th February, last; for copy of the contract entered into between *James King*, Esq., of Halifax, N. S., and this Government, for the purpose of running a steamer between Georgetown, P. E. I. and Pictou, N. S., during the winter season.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill (No. 29) respecting Insolvency, being read;

On motion of Mr. *Fournier*, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of amending the same by expunging in Clause 1 the words: "Alum-makers," "Bleachers," "Calenderers," "Cow-keepers," and "persons using the trade or profession of a Scrivener," "receiving other men's money or Estates into their trust or custody,"—and by inserting the word "Miners," after the word "Millers,"—and after the word "commodities" insert "or trees."

And to amend Clause 27 as follows:—"The Governor in Council may appoint, in the several Provinces of Canada, except the Province of Quebec, one or more persons to be Official Assignee or Assignees, or Joint Official Assignee, in and for every County.—And in the Province of Quebec such appointment of an Official Assignee, or Official Assignees, or Joint Official Assignee, shall be made in and for each Judicial District in the Province, except that in each of the Judicial Districts of Quebec, Montreal and St. Francis, respectively, such appointment may be made either for the whole District, or for one or more Electoral Districts in the same."

The House accordingly went again into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill, and amended the same in conformity therewith; the Bill was then reported, as amended, and the amendments concurred in.

Mr. *Fournier* moved, that the Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. *Bowell* moved in amendment thereto, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of substituting the following for Clause 1 of the said Bill:—

"This Act shall apply to all debtors, and to all co-partnerships, and to Companies, whether incorporated or not, except Incorporated Banks, Insurance, Railway, and Telegraph Companies, and debts incurred by breaches of trust;" which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Bourassa,	Ferguson,	Mitchell	Roscoe,
Bowell,	Fleming,	Monteith,	Ryan,
Brown,	Gaudet,	Montplaisir,	Rymal,
Burk,	Gibson,	Oliver,	Scatcherd,
Cook,	Gillies,	Orton,	Shibley,
Costigan,	Little,	Palmer,	Stirton,
Coupal,	Macdonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Pinsonneault,	Thompson [<i>Holdimand</i>],
Cunningham,	McCallum,	Platt,	Wallace [<i>Norfolk</i>],
DeCosmos,	McCraney	Pope,	White,
Dugas,	McQuade,	Rochester,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>).—41.
Farrow,			

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Davies,	Kirk,	Pickard,
Aylmer,	Delorme,	Kirkpatrick,	Pouliot,
Baby,	De St. Georges,	Lafamme,	Power,
Bain,	De Veber,	Laird,	Pozer,
Barthe,	Dymond,	Lajoie,	Ray,
Bécharde,	Ferris,	Landerkin,	Robillard,
Bernier,	Flesher,	Langlois,	Robitaille,
Bertram,	Flynn,	Lanthier,	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Biggar,	Forbes,	Laurier,	Ross (<i>Prince-Edward</i>),
Blackburn,	Fournier,	Macdonald (<i>Cornwall</i>),	Rouleau,
Blain,	Fraser,	Macdonald (<i>Glengarry</i>),	Scriven,
Blake,	Galbraith,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Sinclair,

Borden,	Geoffrion,	McDonald (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Skinner,
Borron,	Gill,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Smith [<i>Peel</i>],
Bowman,	Gillmor,	McDougall (<i>Renfrew</i>),	Smith (<i>Selkirk</i>),
Buell,	Gordon,	MacKay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Burpee, (<i>St. John</i>)	Goudge,	McKay [<i>Colchester</i>],	Snider,
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Hagar,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	St. Jean,
Campbell,	Hall,	MacLennan,	Taschereau
Caron,	Harwood,	McGregor,	Thibaudeau,
Cartwright,	Higinbotham,	Metcalfe,	Thompson (<i>Welland</i>),
Casgrain,	Holton,	Mills,	Tremblay,
Cauchon,	Horton,	Moffatt,	Trow,
Charlton,	Huntington,	Moss,	Tupper,
Church,	Hurteau,	Mousseau,	Vail,
Cimon,	Irving,	Ouimet,	Wallace [<i>Albert</i>],
Cockburn,	Jetté,	Paterson,	Wilkes,
Colby,	Jodoin,	Pelletier,	Wood,
Cushing,	Kerr,	Perry,	Young.—119.
Cuthbert,	Killam,	Pettes,	

Mr. *Bourassa* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to add at the end of section 63, the following words:—

“And debts due by an Insolvent, to persons excepted from the operation of this Act, shall not be included in the discharge granted to such Insolvent, but the latter shall remain, notwithstanding such discharge, responsible for the payment in full of such debt, which has not been paid to the said persons not held to be traders, out of the dividends declared on the property of the Insolvent by virtue of this “Act;” which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Baby,	Cunningham,	Lanthier,	Pinsonneault,
Bain,	Cuthbert,	Little,	Pope,
Barthe,	Dugas,	McDonald [<i>Cape Breton</i>],	Pouliot,
Bécharde,	Farrow,	MacDonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Pozar,
Bernier,	Ferguson,	McDougall [<i>Renfrew</i>],	Robitaille,
Bourassa,	Fiset,	McCallum,	Rochester,
Bowell,	Galbraith,	McQuade,	Rosecoe,
Brown,	Gaudet,	Mills,	Rouleau,
Caron,	Gibson,	Mitchell,	Rymal,
Cauchon,	Gill,	Monteith,	Scatcherd,
Cheval,	Gillies,	Montplaisir,	Shibley,
Cimon,	Gordon,	Mousseau,	Thompson (<i>Haldimand</i>),
Colby,	Harwood,	Norris,	Wallace [<i>Norfolk</i>],
Cook,	Hurteau,	Orton,	White,
Costigan,	Kirk,	Ouimet,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>).—62.
Coupal,	Kirkpatrick,		

NAYS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Ferris,	Macdonald (<i>Cornwall</i>),	Ross [<i>Durham</i>],
Bertram,	Fleming,	Macdonald (<i>Glengarry</i>),	Ross [<i>Prince Edward</i>],
Biggar,	Flesher,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Ryan,
Blackburn,	Flynn,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Scriver,
Blain,	Fournier,	MacKay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Sinclair,
Blake,	Fraser,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	Skinner,
Borden,	Geoffrion,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Smith (<i>Peel</i>),
Borron,	Goudge,	MacLennan,	Smith (<i>Selkirk</i>),
Bowman,	Hagar,	McGregor,	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Brooks,	Hall,	McLeod,	Snider,
Buell,	Higinbotham,	Metcalfe,	Stirton,
Burk,	Holton,	Moffatt,	St. Jean,
Burpee <i>St. John</i> ,	Horton,	Moss,	Taschereau,
Burpee, <i>Sunbury</i>	Huntington,	Oliver,	Thibaudeau,
Cartwright,	Irving,	Palmer,	Thomson [<i>Welland</i>],
Casgrain,	Jetté,	Paterson,	Tremblay,
Charlton,	Jodoin,	Pelletier,	Trow,
Church,	Kerr,	Perry,	Tupper,
Cockburn,	Killam,	Pettes,	Vail,
Cushing,	Laflamme,	Pickard,	Wallace [<i>Albert</i>],
Davies,	Laird,	Platt,	Wilkes,
De Cosmos,	Lajoie,	Power,	Wood,
Delorme,	Landerkin,	Ray,	Yeo,
De St. Georges,	Langlois,	Richard,	Young.—99.
Dymond,	Laurier,	Robillard,	

Mr. *Mitchell* then moved in amendment thereto, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of amending Clause 1, by adding the words "Lumberers, Millmen, Contractors and Fishermen," at the end of line 15, Clause 1; which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Colby* then moved in amendment thereto, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of expunging Clause 58, which makes it a condition that if the dividend is less than 33 per cent. discharge may be refused; which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Bécharé* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend it in such a way as to provide, that all debts due by an Insolvent to such persons who are farmers, graziers, common laborers, as are excepted from the operation of this Act, be considered preferential; which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Dugas,	Lanthier,	Orton,
Barthe,	Ferguson,	Little,	Ouimet,
Bechard,	Fiset,	Macdonald (<i>Cornwall</i>),	Pinsonneault,
Bernier,	Galbraith,	MacDonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Rochester,
Bourassa,	Gaudet,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Rouleau,
Bowell,	Gibson,	McDougall (<i>Renfrew</i>),	Rymal,
Bunster,	Gill,	McCallum,	Scatcherd,
Cheval,	Gillies,	McCrane,	Shibley,
Cimon,	Gordon,	McIsaac,	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Cook,	Harwood,	McQuade,	Thompson (<i>Haldimand</i>),
Costigan,	Hurteau,	Monteith,	Wallace (<i>Norfolk</i>),
Coupal,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Montplaisir,	White,
Cuthbert,	Kirk,	Norris,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>),
De St. Georges,	Lajoie,	Oliver,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>).—56.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Delorme,	Laird,	Pouliot,
Archibald,	De Veber,	Landerkin,	Power,
Aylmer,	Ferris,	Langlois,	Ray,
Bertram,	Fleming,	Laurier,	Richard,
Blackburn,	Flesher,	Macdonald [<i>Kingston</i>],	Robillard,
Blain,	Flynn,	MacKay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ross [<i>Durham</i>],
Blake,	Fournier,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	Ross [<i>Prince-Edward</i>],
Borron,	Fraser,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Scriver,
Bowman,	Fréchette,	Maelennan,	Skinner,
Brooks,	Gillmor,	McIntyre,	Smith [<i>Peel</i>],
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Goudge,	Metcalfe,	Snider,
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Hagar,	Mills,	St. Jean,
Cartwright,	Hall,	Moffat,	Taschereau
Casey,	Higinbotham,	Mousseau,	Tremblay,
Cauchon,	Holton,	Palmer,	Trow,
Church,	Horton,	Paterson,	Tupper,
Cockburn,	Irving,	Pelletier,	Wallace [<i>Albert</i>],
Colby,	Jetté,	Perry,	Wilkes,
Cunningham,	Jodoin,	Pettes,	Yeo,
Currier,	Kerr,	Pickard,	Young.—83.
Davies,	Killam,	Platt,	

Mr. *Colby* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend Section 58 by expunging the words "33 cents" and inserting the words "10 cents" in place thereof; which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Archibald,	Costigan,	Goudge,	Mitchell,
Baby,	Currier,	Hagar,	Norris,
Blake,	Cuthbert,	Harwood,	Oliver,
Bowell,	DeCosmos,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Rochester,
Brooks,	Devlin,	Kirk,	Rymal,
Brouse,	Dugas,	Laflamme,	Schultz,
Bunster,	Ferguson,	Lanthier,	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Caron,	Gibson,	MacDonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Thompson (<i>Haldimand</i>),
Charlton,	Gill,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Wallace (<i>Norfolk</i>),
Cockburn,	Gillies,	McDougall (<i>Renfrew</i>),	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>),
Colby,	Gordon,	Mills,	Young.—44.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Domville,	Laurier,	Platt,
Aylmer,	Dymond,	Little,	Pouliot,
Bain,	Ferris,	Macdonald (<i>Cornwall</i>),	Power,
Barthe,	Fiset,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Pozer,
Bécharde,	Fleming,	MacKay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ray,
Bernier,	Flesher,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	Richard,
Bertram,	Flynn,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Robillard,
Blackburn,	Fournier,	MacLennan,	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Blain,	Fraser,	McCallum,	Ross (<i>Prince Edward</i>),
Borron,	Fréchette,	McCraney,	Ryan,
Bourassa,	Galbraith,	McGregor,	Scatcherd,
Bowman,	Gaudet,	McIntyre,	Seriver,
Buell,	Geoffrion,	McIsaac,	Shibley,
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Gillmor,	McQuade,	Sinclair,
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Hall,	Metcalfe,	Skinner,
Cartwright,	Higinbotham,	Moffat,	Smith (<i>Peel</i>),
Casey,	Holton,	Monteith,	Snyder,
Casgrain,	Horton,	Montplaisir,	Stirton,
Cauchon,	Huntington,	Moss,	St. Jean,
Cheval,	Hurteau,	Mousseau,	Taschereau,
Church,	Irving,	Orton,	Thibaudeau,
Cimon,	Jodoin,	Ouimet,	Tremblay,
Cook,	Kerr,	Palmer,	Trow,
Coupal,	Killam,	Paterson,	Tupper,
Cunningham,	Kirkpatrick,	Pelletier,	Vail,
Davies,	Laird,	Perry,	Wallace (<i>Albert</i>),
Deforme,	Lajoie,	Pettes,	White,
De St. Georges,	Landerkin,	Pickard,	Wilkes,
De Veber,	Langlois,	Pinsonneault,	Wood.—116.

Mr. *Palmer* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that the further consideration thereof be postponed until this day three months; which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Baby,	Dugas,	McQuade,	Rymal,
Barthe,	Ferguson,	Mitchell,	Scatcherd,
Bernier,	Gaudet,	Monteith,	Sinclair,
Bourassa,	Gibson,	Montplaisir,	Stephenson,
Brown,	Gill,	Mousseau,	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Bunster,	Harwood,	Oliver,	Thompson [<i>Haldimand</i>],
Cheval,	Hurteau,	Orton,	Wallace (<i>Albert</i>),
Cimon,	Little,	Palmer,	White,
Coupal,	McKay, (<i>Colchester</i>),	Pinsonneault,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>),
Currier,	McCallum,	Ross (<i>Prince Edward</i>),	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>).—41.
Cuthbert,			

NAYS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	De St. Georges,	Kirk,	Perry,
Archibald,	De Veber,	Kirkpatrick,	Pettes,
Aylmer,	Dymond,	Laffamme,	Pickard,
Bain,	Farrow,	Laird,	Platt,
Bécharde,	Ferris,	Lajoie,	Pouliot,
Bertram,	Fiset,	Langlois,	Power,
Blackburn,	Fleming,	Lanthier,	Pozer,
Blain,	Flesher,	Laurier,	Ray,
Blake,	Forbes,	Macdonald [<i>Cornwall</i>],	Richard,
Borden,	Fournier,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Robillard,
Borron,	Fraser,	McDonald (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ross [<i>Durham</i>],
Bowman,	Fréchette,	MacDonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Ryan,
Buell,	Galbraith,	MacDougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Seriver,
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Geoffrion,	McDougall [<i>Renfrew</i>],	Skinner,
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Gilles,	MacKay [<i>Cape Breton</i>],	Smith (<i>Selkirk</i>),
Campbell,	Gillmor,	Mackenzie [<i>Lambton</i>],	Snyder,

Cartwright,	Gordon,	MacLennan,	Stirton,
Casey,	Goudge,	McCraney,	St. Jean,
Casgrain,	Hagar,	McGregor,	Taschereau,
Cauchon,	Hall,	McIntyre,	Thibaudeau,
Church,	Higinbotham,	Melsaac,	Thomson (<i>Welland</i>),
Cockburn,	Holton,	Metcalf,	Tremblay,
Colby,	Horton,	Mills,	Trow,
Cook,	Huntington,	Moffat,	Tupper,
Costigan,	Irving,	Moss,	Vail,
Cunningham,	Jodoin,	Norris,	Wallace (<i>Norfolk</i>),
Davies,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Quimet,	Wood,
DeCosmos,	Kerr,	Paterson,	Young.—115.
Delorme,	Killam,	Pelletier,	

Mr. *Metcalf* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of amending Clause 57, by adding thereto the following words:—"That when it is proved that the Insolvent has lived more extravagantly than his station and his condition in life would justify, he shall be liable to imprisonment in the Penitentiary for any term, not exceeding five years;" which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Thompson* (Cariboo), then moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of amending the same by expunging—

"In Section 2 (subsection C) line 15, in Section 53 line 36, in Section 56 (page 18) line 42 and 43, in Section 56 (page 19) line 4, in Section 74 line 28 and 29, in Section 127 line 38, the words: 'British Columbia.'

In section 122 lines 53 and 55, the words: 'In the Province of British Columbia the Judges of the Supreme Court, or a majority of them.'

In section 127 lines 31 and 33, the words: 'In the Province of British Columbia to the Supreme Court of that Province, or to any Judge of the said Court.'

In section 148 (page 48) lines 50 and 51, (page 49) lines 1 and 4, the words: 'The Act of the Legislature of the Colony of Vancouver Island, passed in the year 1864, and intituled: "An Act to declare the Law relative to Bankruptcy and Insolvency in Vancouver Island and its dependencies," and the Act of the Legislature of Colony of British Columbia, passed in the year 1865, and intituled: "An ordinance to amend the Law relative to Bankruptcy and Insolvency in British Columbia," and all Acts of the said Legislatures, or either of them amending the same.'

And by adding to Section 149 the words: "Except British Columbia;" which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Mousseau* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that the words "Building Societies" be added to, and follow after the words "Telegraph Companies," in the first paragraph of section 1, of the said Bill; which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Goudge* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following amendment, *viz*:—that the word "Master," where it occurs in Clause 1, in connection with the word "quarrymen," be expunged; which was agreed to.

The House accordingly went again into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill, and amended the same in conformity therewith; the Bill was then reported, as amended, the amendment concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz*:—

No. 32. To consolidate and amend the Act relating to the Provincial Insurance Company of Canada.

No. 40. Further to amend the Acts regulating the issue of Dominion Notes.

No. 98. Respecting the Lien of the Dominion on the Northern Railway of Canada.

No. 95. Respecting the Intercolonial Railway.

No. 105. Further to amend the Civil Service Superannuation Act.

Also,—agreeing to the amendments by this House to the Bill (No. 112) of their own, intituled: "An Act respecting defective Letters Patent, and the discharge of securities to the Crown," *without any amendment*.

Also,—agreeing to the following Bills, *with amendments, viz*:—

No. 42. Relating to the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company.

No. 25. To incorporate "The Lower Ottawa Boom Company."

No. 11. To amend and consolidate the Statute Law for the regulation of the Postal Service. (On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), the said amendments were read the first time.—Second reading on Saturday next.)

The Order of the Day for The House to go into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 31) to establish a Supreme Court, and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada, being read;

Mr. *Baby* moved, that The speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That in the Resolutions adopted at the Conference held at Quebec on the 10th October, 1864, and which served as the basis of "The British North America Act, 1867," it is set forth:—

2. In the Federation of the British North American Provinces, the system of Government best adapted under existing circumstances to protect the diversified interest of the several Provinces, and secure efficiency, harmony and permanency in the working of the Union, would be a General Government, charged with

matters of common interest to the whole country; and Local Governments for each of the Canadas, and for the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, charged with the control of local matters in their respective sections.

6. There shall be a General Legislature or Parliament for the Federated Provinces.

29. The General Parliament shall have power to make laws for the peace, welfare and good government of the Federated Provinces, and especially laws respecting the following subjects.

34. The establishment of a General Court of Appeal for the Federated Provinces.

37. And generally respecting all matters of a general character, not specially and exclusively reserved for the Local Governments and Legislatures.

33. Rendering uniform all or any of the laws relative to property and civil rights in Upper Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, and rendering uniform the procedure of all or any of the Courts in these Provinces; but any Statute for this purpose shall have no force or authority in any Province until sanctioned by the Legislature thereof.

31. The General Parliament may also, from time to time, establish additional Courts, and the General Government may appoint Judges and officers thereof, when the same shall appear necessary or for the public advantage, in order to the due execution of the laws of Parliament.

22. All Courts, Judges, and officers of the several Provinces shall aid, assist and obey the General Government in the exercise of its rights and powers, and for such purposes shall be held to be Courts, Judges and officers of the General Government.

34. Until the Consolidation of the Laws of Upper Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, the Judges of these Provinces, appointed by the General Government, shall be elected from their respective Bars.

38. The Judges of the Courts of Lower Canada shall be selected from the Bar of Lower Canada.

43. The Local Legislatures shall have power to make laws respecting the following subjects:—

17. The Administration of Justice, including the Constitution, maintenance and organization of the Courts, both of Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction, and including also the Procedure in Civil matters.

That the several resolutions above cited are reproduced in substance in the said Act of Confederation; That by the said Bill No. 31 it is specially proposed to provide for an appeal to the Supreme Court from all final judgments, as well as from all preliminary or interlocutory judgments, in the cases and in the manner therein mentioned, of Courts of final resort (whether Courts of Appeal or of original jurisdiction) in each Province of Canada; and for the institution of proceedings in Error before the said Supreme Court: and that, in consequence the said Bill would have the effect:—

1. Of virtually depriving each Province, in a very great proportion, of the *administration of justice*, the control of which is, by the Constitution, reserved exclusively to the *local Legislatures and Governments*, at least in so far as relates to laws respecting *Property and Civil Rights* and civil *Procedure* in each Province.

2. Of removing that administration of justice to Judges *indiscriminately* taken and selected from the *whole* of Canada, whereas by the Federal compact the Judges of each Province (except the Province of Quebec) are to be selected from the respective Bars of those Provinces, *so long as* their laws remain *unconsolidated*; and as to the Province of Quebec, in particular, its Judges are always to be selected from among the Members of the Bar of *that same Province*.

3. Of submitting the laws relating to *property*, to *civil right* and to *civil procedure* in the Province of Quebec, the causes and the fate of citizens of that Province to judges, who, for the most part are strangers to their language, their manners, their usages and their customs, to the origin of their codes and to the numerous commentators thereon, and to the practice of their Courts.

4. Of submitting and attributing to the said Supreme Court the management and control of matters which are *not common* to the *whole* country.

That the appeal now allowed in the Province of Quebec in certain cases to Her Majesty's Privy Council, was so authorised originally by a law of that Province (34 Geo. 3, Cap. 6.)

That (saving the inherent right of the Sovereign, or the Crown, to evoke every cause) by natural right, those amenable to the jurisdiction only, and by consequence *each* Province, should decide through how many degrees and classes of jurisdiction the administration of justice should pass in order to satisfy them.

That her Majesty's Privy Council, composed as it is of men acquainted, in general, with the English and French languages, as also with the laws and institutions of England and France, affords much greater security than the proposed Court for the safety of the civil and constitutional rights of the several nationalities which this country comprises.

That as respects the exercise and enforcing of all rights and powers of the General Parliament and Government of Canada, for matters common to the *whole country*, the courts and judges of the *several* Provinces are at present considered the Courts and Judges of Canada.

That in consequence the proposed establishment of the said Supreme Court and Court of Exchequer is not *now* desirable, and would not justify the considerable expense which they would entail upon the country, and the costs, frequently ruinous, which suitors amenable to their jurisdiction would have to incur.

And a Debate arising thereon,—and The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

FRIDAY, 26TH MARCH, 1875.

And the Debate still continuing,—the said Debate was, on motion of Mr. Mackenzie [Lambton], adjourned.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie [Lambton], it was *Resolved*, That when The House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until to-morrow (Saturday).

The House then adjourned at 12:20 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Fournier*—On Saturday next—BILL further to amend an Act passed in the thirty-second and thirty-third years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act respecting Procedure in Criminal Cases, and other matters relating to Criminal Law."

Mr. *Fournier*—On Saturday next—BILL to amend the provisions of an Act to amend the Criminal Law relating to violence, threats, and molestation.

Mr. *Wilkes*—On Saturday next—That a special Select Committee be appointed to report to this House at an early day on the subject of the Tea and Coffee Trade of the Dominion, in accordance with the prayer of a certain Petition which has just been received from certain leading merchants of Toronto.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland)—On Saturday next—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE to consider the following Resolution:—

That it is expedient to amend the Act 33 Vic., c. 14, respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada, by providing that the Master of any steam vessel, not being a British ship, found towing any ship, vessel, or raft from one place to another in Canada, or in Canadian waters, shall forfeit the sum of four hundred dollars, and that such steam vessel may be detained by any officer of Customs until the forfeiture is paid; but that the said provision shall not extend to ships of any foreign country to the Coasting Trade of which the Governor in Council may declare that British ships are admitted, or to any foreign ship admitted to the Coasting Trade of Canada under any Treaty made by Her Majesty with the country to which such foreign ship belongs.

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No. 37.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 25TH MARCH, 1876.

2nd Session, 3rd Parliament, 38 Victoria, 1875.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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No. 38.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 27TH MARCH, 1875.

Six Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade; praying that the Bill now before Parliament to define and settle the duties, rights and responsibilities of Carriers by land and water, may become law.

Of *Edward O'Connor* and others, of the Township of Ashfield, County of Huron; of *David Wallace* and others, of Edwardsburg, County of Grenville; of *Theodore Martin* and others, of Melbourne Ridge, and of *John P. Stockwell* and others, of Shipton, County of Richmond, Quebec; of *Thomas Jamieson* and others, of the Parish of Upham, County of Kings, New Brunswick; of *John F. Haney* and others, of the Parish of West Isles, County of Charlotte, New Brunswick; of *W. H. Young* and others, of Oakville, County of Halton; and of *T. H. Schneider* and others, of the City of Montreal; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of *R. G. Warren* and others, of *Thomas Newbigging* and others, and of *John Erritt* and others, of the County of Welland; severally praying that the Bill now before Parliament respecting the International Bridge Company, may not become law.

Of Messrs. *H. & A. Allan*, Merchants, Ship-owners and others, interested in the Trade of the Port of Montreal; praying for certain Amendments to the Pilotage Act, 1873.

Motion being made, that the Petition of the Rev. *T. Brassard*, Curé of Vaudreuil, and others of the Parish of St. Zotique and adjacent Parishes, County of Soulanges; praying that means may be taken to drain the swamps to the north of Lake St. Francis, in the said Parish, caused by the rise of the waters in the Lake since the construction of the Dam at the head of the Beauharnois Canal, be now read and received.

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the granting of the prayer of this Petition would involve the expenditure of public money, it cannot be received.”

Motion being made that the Petition of the Levis and Kennebec Railway Company,—the Petition of the Missisquoi and Black Rivers Railway Company,—the Petition of the Phillipburg, Farnham and Yamaska Railway Company,—and the Petition of the Waterloo and Magog Railway Company; severally praying for the passing of an Act, authorizing the Commissioner of Customs to grant an exemption from duty on such rolling stock as may be imported by them, be now read and received.

Mr. Speaker decided,—“That as the prayer of these Petitions involve a public charge, they cannot be received, unless recommended by the Crown.”

Mr. *Huntington* presented,—Return to Address of the 17th instant; for copies of all papers and correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Prince Edward Island Government, relative to the construction of the Prince Edward Railroad, and the transfer of said Railroad to the Dominion Government.

Also,—Return to Address of the 15th instant; for Returns shewing the quantity and value of Salt, Coal, Coke, Wheat, Corn and other grains; Wheat and Rye Flour and Meal, exported from, and imported into the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, from the 7th April, 1870, to the 1st April, 1871, with the amount of duties collected on these articles at each Port of Entry.

Also,—Return to Address of the 10th April, 1874; for a Return shewing the amount expended by the several Local Governments on all Harbors, Piers, and Breakwaters in the Dominion, prior to 1867, and since July, 1867, by the Dominion Government; and also the amounts expended on all such works by any local Companies, Municipal authorities, Railway Companies, Harbor Commissioners or any other Companies or persons, before or since July 1st, 1867.

Also,—Return to Address of the 27th April, 1874; for a Return shewing the sums expended on capital account as well as the amounts chargeable to income, in the construction of Slides, Dams, Piers, Booms and other works, to facilitate the passage of Timber and Saw Logs on the Ottawa River and its tributaries, up to 31st December last.

And also,—Return to Address of the 11th instant, for copies of all correspondence, letters or telegrams between the Government and the proprietors of land in the vicinity of the proposed enlargement of the Lachine Canal from 1st March, 1874, to the 1st March 1875; also,—all orders given to Engineers as to information to be given to such proprietors and all requests for information made to the Government or Engineers, and all Reports made to the Department of Public Works between above dates, relating to the right of way requisite for enlargement of Lachine Canal.

Mr. *Fournier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the seventh Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *with amendments, viz.:*—

No. 52. To incorporate a Company to construct, own and operate a Railway from Red River, in the Province of Manitoba, to a point in British Columbia, on the Pacific Ocean.

No. 66. To legalize and confirm certain agreements made between the Niagara Falls International Bridge Company, the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company, and the Great Western Railway Company.

No. 49. To authorize the "Canada Southern Railway Company" to acquire the "Eric and Niagara Railway;" and for other purposes.

Mr. *Fournier*, from the Select Standing Committee on Expiring Laws, presented a Report, which is as follows:—

The Committee have carefully examined the list of Expiring Laws, prepared by the Law Clerk, and a Bill has been drafted in conformity thereto, which they submit for the consideration of The House.

Mr. *Fournier* introduced a Bill (No. 124) to amend the provisions of "An Act to amend the Criminal Law relating to Violence, Threats and Molestation."—Second reading on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland), The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider a certain proposed Resolution, declaring it expedient to repeal an Act of the Legislature of P. E. Island, providing for the collection in that Island of the Cape Race Light House Toll.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That it is expedient that the Act of the Legislature of Prince Edward Island, intituled, "An Act to provide for the collection in this Island of the Cape Race Light House Toll," be repealed. Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland), then introduced a Bill (No. 125) to repeal an Act of the Legislature of Prince Edward Island, for the collection of the Cape Race Light House Toll.—Second reading on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), it was *Resolved*, That for the remainder of the Session, Government Orders shall take precedence on Mondays.

On motion of Sir *John A. Macdonald*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for copies of all Orders in Council not already laid before this House relating to the allowance or disallowance of Acts of the several Provincial Legislatures since Confederation, and of all correspondence between the Government of Canada and the several Provincial Governments respecting such Acts.

Mr. *Cartwright* presented the following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General, which were read by Mr. Speaker, as follows:—

DUFFERIN.

The Governor General transmits Supplementary Estimates of sums required for the service of the Dominion for the year ending 30th June, 1875; and in accordance with the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, OTTAWA, 22nd March, 1875.

DUFFERIN.

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Government House,

Ottawa, 22nd March, 1875.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, the said Messages and Supplementary Estimates, were referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland), The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider a certain proposed Resolution for the purpose of amending the Act 33 *Vict.*, Cap. 14, respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Act 33 *Vict.*, Cap. 14, respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada, by providing that the Master of any steam vessel, not being a British ship, found towing any ship, vessel, or raft from one place to another in Canada, or in Canadian waters, shall forfeit the sum of four hundred dollars, and that such steam vessel may be detained by any officer of Customs until the forfeiture is paid; but that the said provision shall not extend to ships of any foreign country to the Coasting Trade of which the Governor in Council may declare that British ships are admitted, or to any foreign ship admitted to the Coasting Trade of Canada under any Treaty made by Her Majesty with the country to which such foreign ship belongs.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland) then introduced a Bill (No. 126) to amend the Act 33 *Vict.*, Cap. 14, respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada.—Second reading on Monday next.

The Bill (No. 115) from the Senate, intituled "An Act to extend to the Province of Manitoba, the Act for the more speedy trial, in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec," was read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 104) to amend "An Act respecting the appropriation of certain Dominion Lands of Manitoba," was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 84) to amend the Act 37 *Vict.*, Cap. 34, providing for the appointment of Harbor Masters, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, on Monday next.

The following two Bills were severally read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz*:—

No. 109. Respecting conflicting claims to lands of occupants in Manitoba (*amended*.)

No. 111. To extend to the Province of British Columbia "The Dominion Lands Act."

The Bill (No. 110) to amend an Act to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 *Vict.*, Cap. 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba, was read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, on Monday next.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Fournier's* proposed motion, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for The House to go into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 31) to establish a Supreme Court, and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada, and on Mr. *Baby's* motion in amendment thereto, and which motion was, "that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That in the Resolutions adopted at the Conference held at Quebec on the 10th October, 1864, and which served as the basis of "The British North America Act, 1867," it is set forth:—

2. In the Federation of the British North American Provinces, the system of Government best adapted under existing circumstances to protect the diversified interest of the several Provinces, and secure efficiency, harmony and permanency in the working of the Union, would be a General Government, charged with matters of common interest to the whole country; and Local Governments for each of the Canadas, and for the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, charged with the control of local matters in their respective sections.

6. There shall be a General Legislature or Parliament for the Federated Provinces.

29. The General Parliament shall have power to make laws for the peace, welfare and good government of the Federated Provinces, and especially laws respecting the following subjects.

34. The establishment of a General Court of Appeal for the Federated Provinces.

37. And generally respecting all matters of a general character, not specially and exclusively reserved for the Local Governments and Legislatures.

33. Rendering uniform all or any of the laws relative to property and civil rights in Upper Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, and rendering uniform the procedure of all or any of the Courts in these Provinces; but any Statute for this purpose shall have no force or authority in any Province until sanctioned by the Legislature thereof.

31. The General Parliament may also, from time to time, establish additional Courts, and the General Government may appoint Judges and officers thereof, when the same shall appear necessary or for the public advantage, in order to the due execution of the laws of Parliament.

32. All Courts, Judges, and officers of the several Provinces shall aid, assist and obey the General Government in the exercise of its rights and powers, and for such purposes shall be held to be Courts, Judges and officers of the General Government.

31. Until the Consolidation of the Laws of Upper Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, the Judges of these Provinces, appointed by the General Government, shall be elected from their respective Bars.

38. The Judges of the Courts of Lower Canada shall be selected from the Bar of Lower Canada.

43. The Local Legislatures shall have power to make laws respecting the following subjects:—

17. The Administration of Justice, including the Constitution, maintenance and organization of the Courts, both of Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction, and including also the Procedure in Civil matters.

That the several resolutions above cited are reproduced in substance in the said Act of Confederation;

That by the said Bill No. 31 it is specially proposed to provide for an appeal to the Supreme Court from all final judgments, as well as from all preliminary or interlocutory judgments, in the cases and in the manner therein mentioned, of Courts of final resort (whether Courts of Appeal or of original jurisdiction) in *each* Province of Canada; and for the institution of proceedings in Error before the said Supreme Court: and that, in consequence the said Bill would have the effect:—

1. Of virtually depriving each Province, in a very great proportion, of the *administration of justice*, the control of which is, by the Constitution, reserved exclusively to the *local* Legislatures and Governments, at least in so far as relates to laws respecting *Property and Civil Rights* and civil *Procedure* in each Province.

2. Of removing that administration of justice to Judges *indiscriminately* taken and selected from the *whole* of Canada, whereas by the Federal compact the Judges of *each* Province (except the Province of Quebec) are to be selected from the respective Bars of those Provinces, *so long as* their laws remain *unconsolidated*; and as to the Province of Quebec, in particular, its Judges are always to be selected from among the Members of the Bar of *that same Province*.

3. Of submitting the laws relating to *property*, to *civil right* and to *civil procedure* in the Province of Quebec, the causes and the fate of citizens of that Province to judges, who, for the most part are strangers to their language, their manners, their usages and their customs, to the origin of their codes and to the numerous commentators thereon, and to the practice of their Courts.

4. Of submitting and attributing to the said Supreme Court the management and control of matters which are *not common* to the *whole* country.

That the appeal now allowed in the Province of Quebec in certain cases to Her Majesty's Privy Council, was so authorised originally by a law of that Province (34 Geo. 3, Cap. 6.)

That (saving the inherent right of the Sovereign, or the Crown, to evoke every cause) by natural right, those amenable to the jurisdiction only, and by consequence *each* Province, should decide through how many degrees and classes of jurisdiction the administration of justice should pass in order to satisfy them.

That her Majesty's Privy Council, composed as it is of men acquainted, in general, with the English and French languages, as also with the laws and institutions of England and France, affords much greater security than the proposed Court for the safety of the civil and constitutional rights of the several nationalities which this country comprises.

That as respects the exercise and enforcing of all rights and powers of the General Parliament and Government of Canada, for matters common to the *whole* country, the courts and judges of the several Provinces are at present considered the Courts and Judges of Canada.

That in consequence the proposed establishment of the said Supreme Court and Court of Exchequer is not *now* desirable, and would not justify the considerable expense which they would entail upon the country, and the costs, frequently ruinous, which suitors amenable to their jurisdiction would have to incur.

And the question being put, it was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,
Béchar, d,
Bernier,
Boirassa,
Caron,
Cheval,
Cimon,

Coupal,
Cuthbert,
Dugas,
Gaudet,
Harwood,
Hurteau,
Macmillan,

McCallum,
McQuade,
Masson,
Monteith,
Montplaisir,
Mousseau,
Ouimet,

Pinsonneault,
Platt,
Roulau,
Rymal,
Seatcherd,
Wallace [*Norfolk*],
White.—28.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Davies,	Lajoie,	Pettes,
Aylmer,	Delorme,	Landerkin,	Plumb,
Bain,	De St. Georges,	Langlois,	Pouliot,
Barthe,	Devlin,	Laurier,	Power,
Bertram,	Dymond,	Little,	Pozer,
Biggar,	Ferris,	Macdonald (<i>Cornwall</i>),	Richard,
Blackburn,	Fiset,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Rochester,
Blain,	Fleming,	McDonald (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Blake,	Flynn,	MacDonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Borden,	Forbes,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Ross (<i>Prince-Edward</i>),
Borron,	Fournier,	McDougall (<i>Three Rivers</i>),	Schultz,
Bowell,	Fraser,	MaeKay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Soriver,
Bowman,	Frechette,	McKay [<i>Colchester</i>],	Sinclair,
Brouse,	Galbraith,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Skinner,
Brown,	Geoffion,	Maelennan,	Smith [<i>Peel</i>],
Burk,	Gibson,	McCraney,	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Gillies,	McGregor,	Snider,
Burpee, (<i>Sunbury</i>)	Gordon,	McIntyre,	Stirton,
Cartwright,	Goudge,	McIsaac,	St. Jean,
Casey,	Hagar,	Metcalfe,	Taschereau,
Casgrain,	Higinbotham,	Mills,	Thompson (<i>Haldimand</i>),
Cauchon,	Holton,	Moffatt,	Tremblay,
Church,	Huntington,	Moss,	Trow,
Cockburn,	Irving,	Norris,	Tupper,
Colby,	Kerr,	Oliver,	Vail,
Cook,	Kirk,	Paterson,	Wood,
Costigan,	Laflamme,	Pelletier,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>).
Cunningham,	Laird,	Perry,	Young.—113.
Currier,			

Mr. Ouimet then moved in amendment, that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be Resolved, That the effect of this Bill being—

1. Of virtually depriving each Province, in a very great proportion, of the *administration of justice*, the control of which is, by the Constitution, reserved exclusively to the *local* Legislatures and Governments, at least in so far as relates to laws respecting *Property* and *Civil Rights* and civil *Procedure* in each Province.

2. Of removing that administration of justice to Judges *indiscriminately* taken and selected from the *whole* of Canada, whereas by the Federal compact the Judges of each Province (except the Province of Quebec) are to be selected from the respective Bars of those Provinces, *so long* as their laws remain *unconsolidated*; and as to the Province of Quebec, in particular, its Judges are always to be selected from among the Members of the Bar of *that same Province*.

3. Of submitting the laws relating to *property*, to *civil right*, and to *civil procedure* in the Province of Quebec, the causes and the fate of citizens of that Province to judges, who, for the most part are strangers to their language, their manners, their usages and their customs, to the origin of their codes and to the numerous commentators thereon, and to the practice of their Courts.

4. Of submitting and attributing to the said Supreme Court the management and control of matters which are *not common* to the *whole* country.

That it is inexpedient to create a Court of Appellate Jurisdiction in cases involving questions relating to property, to civil rights and civil procedure.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

The main motion was then agreed to,—and The House accordingly went into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill; and the Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole, on the 16th instant, granting certain salaries to be paid to the Chief Justice and Judges mentioned in the said Bill, referred,

After some time spent thereon,—and progress having been reported,—the Committee obtained leave to sit again, on Monday next.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz.* :—

No. 47. To incorporate the Canadian Navigation Company.

No. 39. To amend the several Acts incorporating or relating to the Richelieu Company; and to change its corporate name.

No. 55. To amend an Act to incorporate the Board of Trade of the Town of Lévis.

No. 33. To confirm articles of agreements and consolidation between the European and North American Railway Company for extension from Saint John westward, and the European and North American Railway Company of Maine; and for other purposes therein set forth.

Also, agreeing to the Bill (No. 27) to incorporate the "Industrial Life Insurance Company," *with amendments*. (On motion of Mr. Holton, the said amendments were read the first time.—Second reading on Monday next.)

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. *Laurier*—That the following words be added to the 17th clause of Bill No. 31:—

And in the Province of Quebec this section shall apply to all cases in Insolvency and Bankruptcy, and to all cases of a Commercial nature and cases relating to the general laws of Canada, and in other cases, when one of the Inferior Courts shall have rendered a different judgment from that of the highest Court, or when the Judges sitting in Appeal in such Province shall not be unanimous in confirming or reversing such judgment.

No. 38.

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No. 39.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 29TH MARCH, 1875.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—List of Stockholders of the Federal Bank of Canada, on the 12th ult., under the provisions of the Act 34 *Vict.*, Cap. 5, Sec. 12; and General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the District of *St. Hyacinthe*, for the year 1874.

Eight Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received—

Of *James Murdock* and others, of *Thomas Baldwin* and others, of the Town of Sandwich, County of Essex; of *Isaac Snider* and others, of Nobleton and vicinity, County of York, Ontario; of *Allan McDougall* and others of Lot 67, Cape Traverse, County of Prince, Prince Edward Island; and of *John G. McKay*, M. D. and others, of Lots 21 and 22, Fredericton, County of Queen's, Prince Edward Island; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the tenth Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *with amendments, viz.*:—

No. 100. From the Senate, intituled: “An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Canada Car and Manufacturing Company.”

No. 102. To change the corporate name of the St. Lawrence Navigation Company (Steam), and to confer on it certain powers.

No. 70. To amend the Act to make better provision for the inspection of certain staple articles of Canadian produce.

Mr. *Fournier* introduced a Bill (No. 127) to continue for a limited time the Acts therein mentioned.—Second reading to-morrow.

The Resolution adopted in Committee of the Whole, on the 24th instant, for the purpose of amending the Act 31 *Vict.*, cap. 44, so as to repeal the Export Duty on Stave Bolts and Oak Logs, was reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and is as follows:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*, cap. 44, so far as the same relates to the collection of Export Duties upon Stave Bolts and Oak Logs, as provided under Schedule F of the said Act, and that the said Duty upon Stave Bolts and Oak Logs, should be repealed.

Mr. *Cartwright* then introduced a Bill (No. 128) to amend the Act 31 *Vict.*, Cap. 44, (repeal of Export Duty on Stave Bolts and Oak Logs.)—Second reading to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 134) to amend the Act 37 *Vict.*, Cap. 34, to provide for the appointment of Harbor Masters at certain Ports was considered in Committee of the Whole; and progress having been reported, the Committee obtained leave to sit again, to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 116) respecting the Trinity House and Harbor Commissioners of Quebec, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, the amendment concurred in, and ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 120) respecting the Graving Dock in the Harbor of Quebec, and authorizing the raising of a Loan in respect thereof, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, (and the Resolution adopted in Committee of the Whole, on the 25th instant, in relation thereto, referred), amended reported, the amendment concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill (No. 118) respecting Certificates to Masters of Inland and Coasting Ships, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order of the Day, for The House to go into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 91) to amend the Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Bill (No. 107) respecting the shipping of Seamen in the Inland Waters of Canada, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, the amendments concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *MacKenzie* [Lambton] moved, that the Bill [No. 108] to provide for the construction of a line of Railway from Esquimalt to Nanaimo in British Columbia, be now read a second time.

Mr. *Wallace* [Norfolk] moved in amendment, that the Bill be read the second time, this day three months; which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Archibald,	Farrow,	McDougall (<i>Three Rivers</i>),	Palmer,
Baby,	Ferguson,	McKay [<i>Colchester</i>],	Pickard,
Bain,	Flesher,	Macmillan,	Pinsonneault,
Bernier,	Fraser,	McCallum,	Platt,
Blake,	Gaudet,	McCraney,	Plumb,
Bowell,	Gill,	McQuade,	Pope,
Caron,	Gordon,	Masson,	Pozer,
Cimon,	Hagar,	Mills,	Robitaille,
Cook,	Haggart,	Monteith,	Rouleau,
Costigan,	Harwood,	Montplaisir,	Rymal,
Coupal,	Higinbotham,	Moss,	Scatcherd,
Cunningham,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Mousseau,	Stephenson,
Carrier,	Kirkpatrick,	Norris,	Thompson [<i>Haldimand</i>],
Cuthbert,	Lanthier,	Orton,	Wallace (<i>Norfolk</i>),
Dewdney,	Little,	Quimet,	White.—62.
Dugas,	McDonald (<i>Cape Breton</i>),		

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	De Veber,	Lajoie,	Robillard,
Aylmer,	Dymond,	Landerkin,	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Barthe,	Ferris,	Langlois,	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Béchar,	Fiset,	Laurier,	Ross (<i>Prince Edward</i>),
Biggar,	Fleming,	Macdonald (<i>Cornwall</i>),	Scriver,
Blackburn,	Flynn, ¹ / ₂	Macdonald (<i>Glenarry</i>),	Shibley,
Blain,	Forbes,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Sinclair,
Borron,	Fournier,	MacDonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Smith (<i>Peel</i>)
Bourassa,	Fréchette,	Macdonald (<i>Elgin</i>),	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Bowman,	Galbraith,	MacKay [<i>Cape Breton</i>],	Snider,
Brown,	Geoffrion,	MacKenzie [<i>Lambton</i>],	Stirton,
Buell,	Gibson,	MacLennan,	St. Jean,
Bumster,	Gillies, ² / ₂	McIntyre,	Taschereau,
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Gillmor,	McIsaac,	Thibaudeau,
Cartwright,	Holton, ¹ / ₂	McLeod,	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Casey,	Horton,	Metcalfe,	Thompson (<i>Welland</i>),
Casgrain,	Huntington,	Murray,	Tremblay,
Cauchon,	Irving,	Oliver,	Trow,
Cheval,	Jetté,	Paterson,	Tupper,
Church,	Jodoin,	Pelletier,	Vail,
Cockburn,	Kerr,	Perry,	Wilkes,
Cushing,	Killam, ² / ₂	Pettes,	Wood,
Davies,	Kirk,	Pouliot,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>),
DeCosmos,	Laflamme,	Power,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>),
Delorme,	Laird,	Richard,	Young.—101.
De St. Georges,			

The Bill was then read the second time, on a division, and committed to a Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, and the amendments concurred in.

Mr. *Mackenzie* [*Lambton*] moved, that the Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. *Tupper* moved, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of adding the following words to sub-section 8, of Clause 3:—"Provided always, that any such contract shall have the previous approval of Parliament;" which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Archibald,	Ferguson,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	Plumb,
Baby,	Flesher,	Macmillan,	Pope,
Bain,	Frase ;	McCallum,	Richard,
Bernier,	Gandet,	McCrancey,	Robitaille,
Blake,	Gill,	McQuade,	Ronleau,
Burk,	Gordon,	Masson,	Ryan,
Caron,	Hagar,	Mills,	Rymal,
Cimon,	Haggart,	Monteith,	Scatcherd,
Cook,	Harwood,	Montplaisir,	Schultz,
Costigan,	Hurteau,	Mousseau,	Smith (<i>Peel</i>),
Coupal,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Norris,	Stephenson,
Cunningham,	Kirkpatrick,	Orton,	Thompson [<i>Haldimand</i>],
Cuthbert,	Lanthier,	Ouimet,	Tupper,
Dewdney,	Macdonald (<i>Kinyston</i>),	Palmer,	Wallace [<i>Norfolk</i>],
Dugas,	McDonald [<i>Cape Breton</i>],	Pickard,	White,
Farrow,	McDougall [<i>Renfrew</i>],	Pinsonneault,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>).—64.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Delorme,	Killam,	Pozer,
Aylmer,	De St. Georges,	Kirk,	Robillard,
Barthe,	De Veber,	Laflamme,	Ross [<i>Durham</i>],
Bécharde,	Dymond,	Laird,	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Bertram,	Fiset,	Lajoie,	Ross (<i>Prince-Edward</i>),
Biggar,	Fleming,	Landerkin,	Seriver,
Blackburn,	Flynn,	Langlois,	Shibley,
Borden,	Forbes,	Laurier,	Smith (<i>Selkirk</i>),
Borron,	Fournier,	Macdonald (<i>Cornwall</i>),	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Bowman,	Frechette,	Macdonald (<i>Glengarry</i>),	Snider,
Brown,	Galbraith,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Stirton,
Buell,	Geoffrion,	Mackay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	St. Jean,
Bunster,	Gibson,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Taschereau,
Burpee, (<i>St. John</i>),	Gillies,	MacLennan,	Thibaudeau,
Cartwright,	Gillmor,	McIntyre,	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Casey,	Higinbotham,	McLeod,	Thomson [<i>Wendland</i>],
Casgrain,	Holton,	Metcalf,	Tremblay,
Cauchon,	Horton,	Oliver,	Trow,
Church,	Huntington,	Paterson,	Vail,
Cockburn,	Irving,	Pelletier,	Wilkes,
Cushing,	Jetté,	Perry,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>).
Davies,	Jodoin,	Pettes,	Young.—91.
De Cosmos,	Kerr,	Pouliot,	

The said Bill was then read a third time, and passed on the same division reversed.

A Message was received from the Senate with the following Bill (No. 129) of their own, intitled. "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Lumber and Timber Association of Ontario and Quebec." (On motion of Mr. *Wright* (*Ottawa County*), the said Bill was read the first time).

The House went again into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 31) to establish a Supreme Court, and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada; and the Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole, on the 16th instant, granting certain salaries to be paid to the Chief Justice and Judges mentioned in the said Bill, referred.

And The House having continued to sit in Committee until 12 of the clock, midnight;

TUESDAY, 30th March, 1875.

The said Bill was amended, reported, and the amendments concurred in, and ordered for a third reading at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz* :—

No. 92. From the Senate, intituled, "An Act to provide for the amalgamation of the Niagara District Bank, with the Imperial Bank of Canada," (*amended*.)

No. 58. To incorporate "The Canada Land Investment Guarantee Company, (limited.)"

No. 24. To incorporate "The Pictou Iron and Coal Company," (*amended*.)

No. 82. From the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Gas Lighting Company" (*amended*.)

No. 52. To incorporate a Company to construct, own and operate a Railway from Red River, in the Province of Manitoba, to a point in British Columbia, on the Pacific Ocean.

No. 66. To legalize and confirm certain agreements made between the Niagara Falls International Bridge Company, the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company, and the Great Western Railway Company.

No. 94. To authorize the "Canada Southern Railway Company" to acquire the "Erie and Niagara Railway;" and for other purposes."

The amendment made by the Senate to the following Bills were severally taken into consideration and agreed to, *viz* :—

No. 42. Relating to the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company.

No. 25. To incorporate "The Lower Ottawa Boom Company."

No. 27. To incorporate "The Industrial Life Insurance Company."

The House then adjourned at 1:20 A. M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Shultz*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to reorganize and pay the claims of the Hudson Bay Company for alleged losses incurred during the Red River Insurrection of 1869-70?

Mr. *Gouldge*—On Wednesday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that a Commission be appointed to inspect and prepare a detailed Report of the construction, arrangement, and organization of the Museums at Washington, and London, England, with a view to the establishment of a Museum of similar character in the City of Ottawa, embracing geological collections, and collections of agricultural produce, analysis and implements, manufactures and machinery, &c., &c., together with suggestions and recommendations as may be held desirable in the erection and management of such a museum for the Dominion of Canada.

That the above mentioned Report be laid before the House at the next session of Parliament.

Mr. *Gouldge*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY ON MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government during the Recess to take steps with a view to the establishment of a Museum in the City of Ottawa of a character similar to those established in Washington and London, England, embracing Geological collections, and collections of agricultural produce, analysis and implements, manufactures, machinery, &c., &c?

Mr. *Schultz*—On Wednesday next—The following Resolution:—

That it is not expedient that the unappropriated Dominion Lands in the North-West should be open for purchase or offered for sale in accordance with the provisions of Section 29 of the "Dominion Lands Act," (35 *Vic.*, cap. 22) until such lands shall have been open for Homestead or Pre-emption entry, according to the terms contained in the said Act, for a term of years.

Mr. *Thompson* (Cariboo)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—When will the several surveying parties, required to complete the surveys for the Canada Pacific Railway, on the Mainland of British Columbia, be despatched to that Province.

Mr. *Thompson* (Cariboo)—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether the Reports of the Engineers employed during the year 1874 on the survey of the Canada Pacific Railway, will be published during the present Session; and if the Report of Mr. *Horetzky*, as to his explorations on the Peace River route, will be published?

Mr. *Devlin*—On Wednesday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—The Government having sold to the City Corporation the Quebec Gate Barracks, having handed over the Logan Farm, St. Helen's Island, and other Government property—while the Drill-Shed is a ruin and the Volunteers only occupy a portion of it on sufferance from the Corporation, has any, and if so, what arrangement has been made for the accommodation of the Volunteers and City Corps for drilling purposes?

No. 39.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 29TH MARCH, 1875.

2nd Session, 3rd Parliament, 38 Victoria, 1875.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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No. 40.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 30TH MARCH, 1875.

Nineteen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Galbraith*, from the Select Committee to investigate and report to The House upon the causes of certain alleged losses, said to have been sustained by *Alexander Yuill*, of the Township of Ramsay, as prayed for in his Petition to Parliament; with power to send for persons and papers at the expense of said *Yuill*, presented a Report, which is as follows:—

The Petitioner prays for compensation in respect of a large quantity of logs, which were lost to him, as he alleges, through the negligence of Government officials. His claim, as originally presented, was divided into two branches.

Firstly.—He claimed that through the carrying away or displacement of the boom, to which more particular reference is hereafter made, a large number of logs escaped and could not be recovered by him. This claim, however, was abandoned as untenable, and it was admitted, on behalf of the Petitioner, that the Government could not be held responsible for the consequences that might result from the breaking or displacement of a Government boom.

The Committee have deemed it proper to direct attention to this branch of the Petitioner's claim, because it appeared to them that if The House, upon a review of the circumstances, resolved to grant any compensation to the Petitioner in respect of the second branch of his claim, it need not involve the establishment of any precedent tending to create a liability for losses arising from a breakage of a boom.

The second branch of the Petitioner's claim is that, by reason of the negligent and unnecessary delay in remedying the accident already referred to, a number of logs which the Petitioner had placed upon the bank of the River Madawaska, for the purpose of being formed into cribs at the boom and floated down to Ottawa, were consumed by a fire which occurred long after the time at which the logs would have been removed from the bank into the river, if reasonable diligence had been used by the proper officials.

With respect to this claim, the Committee have considered the large body of evidence laid before them, and respectfully submit the following considerations and conclusions:—

Some years before the occurrence of the events in question, the Government had constructed a slide and boom on the River Madawaska.

These works were used by all persons engaged in lumbering operations on the River, and no private booms were constructed or used in that neighborhood.

Dues or tolls were charged for the use of the slide and boom, but no separate rate of charges was established for the use of the boom until 1865.

In 1855 the Petitioner was engaged in the business of getting out logs on the Madawaska River. A large quantity were placed by him on a rollway leading to the River, with the object of being floated down to the boom and there made up into cribs, in which form they were to be conveyed to Ottawa. It was contended before the official arbitrators in the proceedings hereinafter referred to, that the Petitioner had not used a proper rollway, but the Committee are of opinion that the evidence shows that the Petitioner used proper skill and diligence in the selection of a rollway and in providing means for moving his logs into the River.

In the ordinary course of business the logs would have been removed from the rollway into the River about the latter end of April, and would have passed down to the boom, where they would have been retained until made up into cribs.

A portion of the logs, being those for the loss whereof the firstly mentioned claim was preferred, had actually been removed from the rollway into the River before the breaking away of the boom. On the 20th April, 1855, the boom was broken or removed from its place, so as to be unfit to retain logs through accidental causes, for which no responsibility attached to the Government.

The evidence leaves it in doubt whether any officer of the Government was in charge of the boom, but the Committee on the whole are of opinion, that although there was a slidemaster, no person was specially charged with the duty of attending to the state of the boom.

Immediately after the breaking of the boom, the Petitioner sent his son to Ottawa to inform Mr. *Merrill*, the proper officer for the purpose, of the accident, and to request him to take the necessary steps for the repair of the boom.

In consequence of this communication, Mr. *Merrill*, about a week afterwards, sent a person to examine the boom, but no effort was made to repair it until the 13th of May, when one *Williams* was sent from Ottawa for that purpose. He attempted its restoration, but the means and appliances he brought with him were insufficient, and he entirely failed. In fact there were cribs a short distance up the River, by the employment of which he could have obtained the requisite power to replace and restore the boom, and there appears to the Committee to have been no reason why he should not have availed himself thereof. There was also a steamer in the vicinity which was not constantly employed and which might readily have been made available for the prompt repair of the boom. Upon a subsequent occasion it appears to have been used for that purpose. Mr. *Williams* did not take advantage, as he might have done, of either of these means of obtaining the power requisite to replace the boom, and he returned without having effected the object of his mission.

In fact, the boom was not repaired until the 26th of May, although the Committee are of the opinion that there was no sufficient reason why this should not have been done within a week, or at the most ten days, after the occurrence of the accident.

The Petitioner could not consistently with ordinary prudence, have placed the logs in the River until the boom was repaired. The result of his doing so would have been their escape into Chats Lake, and the loss of a large number.

During the time that the boom remained broken, the Petitioner kept several men ready to move the logs at the first fair opportunity.

The boom was repaired on Saturday, the 26th of May.

On the 27th of May, a fire, which had commenced, probably on the previous day, and about three miles distant from the rollway, reached the logs and almost entirely consumed them.

Neither the Petitioner nor any one in his employment, appears to have known of the fire, until it was too late to remove the logs, no matter what force of men had been available.

In the fall of the year 1855, the Petition paid certain tolls for the use of the slide and boom for the logs which he had floated down.

The Petitioner promptly preferred his claim, and continued to press it at short intervals upon the attention of the Government.

He thus incurred large loss and expenses in time, travelling and otherwise.

Although a very large number of communications passed between him and the Government, no opinion upon the sufficiency or justice of his claim appears to have been communicated to him until the 18th of June, 1868, when the letter of which the following is a copy was sent to him from the Department of the Minister of Justice.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
OTTAWA, June 18th, 1868.

SIR,—I am desired by the Minister of Justice to say that he has had under consideration the claim of the Messrs. *A. & J. Yuill*, as stated in your letter of the 23rd October, 1867, for compensation for loss of saw logs by reason of the non-repair in 1855 of a boom on the Madawaska River. I am to state that on the facts as set forth in your letter there does not appear to be any legal liability on the part of the Government to compensate the Messrs. *Yuill*. It is possible, however, that from the peculiar nature of the facts, it is a case that might be entertained by Parliament, and that appears to be the only mode by which Messrs. *Yuill* could obtain compensation, in case they are equitably entitled to it.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

H. BERNARD.

F. Braun, Esq.,
Secretary,
Department of Public Works.

Notwithstanding the tenor of this communication, no Committee of The House was appointed, nor any action taken until April, 1873, when the matter was referred to the official arbitrators, who made their award on the 29th of September, 1873, in the following terms:—

To all to whom these presents shall come—Greeting :

Whereas *James Cowan*, of the Town of Galt, in the Province of Ontario; *Isidore Hurteau*, of Longueuil, in the County of Chambly, Province of Quebec; and *William Compton*, of the City of Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia, all of the Dominion of Canada, have been duly appointed Arbitrators and Appraisers for Canada, under and by virtue of the Statutes of Canada, Act thirty-first *Victoria*, chapter the twelfth, to arbitrate on, appraise, determine, and award on all disputed claims referred to the said Arbitrators, or any one or more of them, by the Minister of Public Works of Canada, by virtue of the said Act.

And whereas *Alexander Yuill*, of the Township of Ramsey, in the County of Lanark, in the Province of Ontario, weaver, hath preferred a claim against Her Majesty the Queen, represented by the said Minister of Public Works, for the value of saw logs alleged to have been destroyed by fire on the banks of the Madawaska River, a tributary of the Ottawa River, in the spring of the year eighteen hundred and fifty-five, the

said claim amounting to the sum of six thousand seven hundred and ninety-three dollars and eighty-four cents (6,793.84), inclusive of interest and expenses stated to have been incurred in traveling and otherwise with the view of affecting its adjustment. And whereas the said Minister could not effect an amicable settlement with the said *Alexander Yuill*, the claimant, and hath referred the said claim to us, *James Cowan, Isidore Hurteau* and *William Compton*, the Arbitrators and Appraisers above named, for our investigation and award.

Now, therefore, we, the said *James Cowan, Isidore Hurteau* and *William Compton*, having taken upon ourselves the charge of the said arbitration, appraisement determination, and award, and having heard and considered the allegations and evidences of the parties and their witnesses, do hereby make and publish this our award of and concerning the said claim in the manner and form following, that is to say :—

We do adjudge and determine that nothing is due by the said Minister of Public Works to the said *Alexander Yuill* for and in respect of his said claim. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands at the City of Halifax, this twenty-ninth day of September, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

JAMES COWAN,
J. HURTEAU,
WM. COMPTON.

No reasons for arriving at this conclusion were placed upon record by the Arbitrators.

The Petitioner had placed upon the banks of the said River about four thousand eight hundred logs (4,800), of which he succeeded in bringing to market only ten hundred and thirty (1,030), and no cause, for the loss of any portion of the remaining three thousand, seven hundred and seventy (3,770), is shown, except the breaking or displacement of the boom and the fire.

The Committee find that at least two thousand logs (2,000), of the value of seventy cents each (70c.); amounting in the whole to fourteen hundred dollars (\$1,400) were consumed by the fire aforesaid, and lost to the Petitioner.

The actual travelling and other incidental expenses incurred by him in his efforts to procure successive Governments to decide upon his claim, amounted to not less than five hundred dollars (\$500).

The Committee submit the foregoing facts, in the hope that such redress may be granted to the Petitioner in the premises, as in justice he may be entitled to.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the tenth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows :—

The Committee have examined the Petition of *E. McGillivray* and others, or the City of Ottawa; praying for an Act of incorporation under the name of the Canadian Lumber and Timber Association, and find that no notice has been given; but as the Bill which has already passed the Senate, provides that no injury to any party shall arise, the Committee therefore recommend a suspension of Rule 51.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the eighth Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, *with amendments, viz.* :—

No. 50. Respecting the Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company

No. 69. To incorporate "The Dominion Railways Equipment Company."

No. 103. To incorporate the Quebec and Lake Huron Direct Railway.

And the Bill (No. 106) respecting the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company, *without amendment*.

On motion of Mr. *Wright* (Ottawa County), the Bill (No. 129) from the Senate, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Lumber and Timber Association of Ontario and Quebec," was read the second time, and Rule 51 suspended in relation thereto, and the Bill referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Mr. *Cartwright*, the House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, to-morrow, to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

The Bill (No. 84) to amend the Act 37 *Vict.*, Cap. 34, providing for the appointment of Harbor Masters at certain Ports, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, amendments concurred in, read a third time, and passed.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *with amendments, viz.* :—

No. 67. To amend and consolidate the several Acts respecting Insurance, in so far as regards Fire and Inland Marine business.

No. 78. Respecting Life Insurance Companies, and Companies doing any Insurance business, other than Fire and Inland Marine.

Mr. *Fournier* moved, that the Bill (No. 31) to establish a Supreme Court and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada, be now read a third time.

Mr. *White* moved in amendment, that the Bill be read a third time this day six months; which was negatived on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Baby,	Cuthbert,	Macmillan,	Platt,
Béchar, d,	Farrow,	McCallum,	Plumb,
Bernier,	Ferguson,	Masson,	Robillard,
Biggar,	Gaudet,	Monteith,	Rouleau,
Bourassa,	Haggart,	Montplaisir,	Stephenson,
Bowell,	Harwood,	Mousseau,	Rymal,
Caron,	Irving,	Orton,	Scatcherd,
Cheval,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Ouimet,	Wallace [<i>Norfolk</i>],
Cimon,	Little,	Pinsonneault,	White.—38.
Coupal,	McDonald (<i>Cape Breton</i>),		

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Dewdney,	Laird,	Pettes,
Archibald,	Dymond,	Lajoie,	Pouliot,
Aylmer,	Ferris,	Landerkin,	Pozer,
Barthe,	Fiset,	Langlois,	Richard,
Bertram,	Fleming,	Lanthier,	Robitaille,
Blain,	Flynn,	Laurier,	Rochester,
Blake,	Forbes,	Macdonald (<i>Cornwall</i>),	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Borden,	Fournier,	Macdonald (<i>Glengarry</i>),	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Borron,	Fraser,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Ross (<i>Prince Edward</i>),
Bowman,	Fréchette,	MacDonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Ryan,
Brown,	Galbraith,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Seriver,
Buell,	Geoffrion,	McDongall (<i>Renfrew</i>),	Sinclair,
Burk,	Gibson,	McDongall (<i>Three Rivers</i>),	Skinner,
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Gill,	McKay [<i>Colchester</i>],	Smith [<i>Peel</i>],
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Gillies,	Mackenzie [<i>Lambton</i>],	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Cameron (<i>Cardwell</i>),	Gillmor,	MacLennan,	Snider,
Cameron (<i>Ontario</i>),	Gordon,	McCrane,	Stirton,
Cartwright,	Goudge,	McIntyre,	St. Jean,
Casey,	Hagar,	McLeod,	Taschereau,
Casgrain,	Hall,	Metcalfe,	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Church,	Higinbotham,	Mills,	Thompson [<i>Haldimand</i>],
Cockburn,	Holton,	Mitchell,	Thomson [<i>Welland</i>],
Cook,	Huntington,	Moffat,	Tremblay,
Costigan,	Jetté,	Moss,	Trow,
Cunningham,	Jodoin,	Murray,	Tupper,
Cushing,	Kerr,	Norris,	Vail,
Davies,	Killam,	Oliver,	Wilkes,
Delorme,	Kirk,	Paterson,	Wood,
De St. Georges,	Kirkpatrick,	Pelletier,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>),
De Veber,	Laflamme,	Perry,	Young.—121.
Devlin,			

Mr. *Ouimet* moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole with instructions to amend it, so as to exclude from the Appellate Jurisdiction given to the Supreme Court of Canada, all cases involving questions relating to property, to civil rights, and civil procedure.

Mr. *Taschereau* moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of amending the same, by expunging from it all provisions conferring upon the proposed Supreme Court, Appellate Jurisdiction in suits arising under Provincial Laws, or within the Legislative Jurisdiction of the Provinces, so as to make the proposed Supreme Court, a General Court of Appeals for Canada, solely; which was negatived on a division.—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Farrow,	Macmillan,	Pinsonneault,
Béchar, d,	Ferguson,	McCallum,	Platt,
Bernier,	Gaudet,	McIntyre,	Plumb,
Bourassa,	Gill,	McLeod,	Robillard,
Caron,	Haggart,	Metcalfe,	Rouleau,
Cheval,	Harwood,	Monteith,	Scatcherd,
Cimon,	Hurteau,	Montplaisir,	Stephenson,
Costigan,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Mousseau,	Taschereau,
Coupal,	Lanthier,	Orton,	Wallace (<i>Norfolk</i>),
Cuthbert,	McDonald (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ouimet,	White.—40.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	De St. Georges,	Laflamme,	Pouliot,
Archibald,	Dymond,	Laird,	Pozer,
Aylmer,	Ferris,	Lajoie,	Richard,
Barthe,	Fiset,	Landerkin,	Robitaille,
Bertram,	Fleming,	Langlois,	Roehester,
Biggar,	Flynn,	Laurier,	Ross [<i>Durham</i>],
Blackburn,	Forbes,	Macdonald [<i>Cornwall</i>],	Ross [<i>Middlesex</i>],
Blain,	Fournier,	Macdonald [<i>Glengarry</i>],	Ross [<i>Prince Edward</i>],
Borden,	Fraser,	Macdonald [<i>Kingston</i>],	Ryan,
Borron,	Frèchette,	MacDonnell [<i>Inverness</i>],	Schultz,
Bowell,	Galbraith,	Macdougall [<i>Elgin</i>],	Seriver,
Bowman,	Geoffrion,	McDougall [<i>Renfrew</i>],	Shibley,
Brown,	Gibson,	McKay [<i>Colchester</i>],	Sinclair,
Buell,	Gilles,	Mackenzie [<i>Lambton</i>],	Skinner,
Burk,	Gillmor,	MacIennan,	Smith [<i>Peel</i>],
Burpee, (<i>St. John</i>),	Gordon,	McCrane,	Smith [<i>Westmoreland</i>],
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Goudge,	McIntyre,	Snider,
Cameron (<i>Cardwell</i>),	Hagar,	McLeod,	Stirton,
Cameron (<i>Ontario</i>),	Hall,	Metcalfe,	St. Jean,
Cartwright,	Higinbotham,	Mitchell,	Thibaudeau,
Casey,	Holton,	Moffat,	Thompson (<i>Haldimand</i>),
Casgrain,	Horton,	Moss,	Thompson (<i>Welland</i>),
Church,	Huntington,	Murray,	Tremblay,
Cockburn,	Irving,	Norris,	Trow,
Cook,	Jetté,	Oliver,	Tupper,
Cunningham,	Jodoin,	Palmer,	Vail,
Currier,	Kerr,	Pelletier,	Wilkes,
Cushing,	Killam,	Perry,	Wood,
Davies,	Kirk,	Pettes,	Wright [<i>Pontiac</i>].—118.
Delorme,	Kirkpatrick,		

The question being then put on Mr. Ouimet's proposed amendment; it was negatived on the same division.

Mr. Laflamme then moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole to be amended by adding the following words, after the word "Court" on line 23, of section 4, of the said Bill:—"two of whom at least shall be taken from the Judges of the Superior Court, or Court of Queen's Bench, or amongst the Barristers or Advocates of the Province of Quebec;" which was agreed to on a division.

The House accordingly went again into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill, and amended the same in conformity therewith, the Bill was then reported, and the amendment concurred in.

Mr. Fournier moved, that the Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. Palmer moved in amendment, that the Bill be again re-committed to a Committee of the Whole with instructions so to amend section 7, as to provide that the salaries of the Chief Justice and Puisne Judges of the Supreme Court shall be \$7,000 p. a. for said Chief Justice, and \$6,000 p. a. for each Puisne Judge of the said Court, instead of \$8,000 and \$7,000 respectively; which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Cunningham,	McCrane,	Pouliot,
Bain,	Cuthbert,	McQuade,	Pozer,
Béchar,	Farrow,	Masson,	Robitaille,
Bernier,	Ferguson,	Mitchell,	Rouleau,
Biggar,	Gaudet,	Monteith,	Scatcherd,
Bourassa,	Gibson,	Montplaisir,	Sinclair,
Bowell,	Haggart,	Mousseau,	Stephenson,
Bunster,	Harwood,	Ouimet,	Thibaudeau,
Burk,	Hurteau,	Palmer,	Thompson (<i>Haldimand</i>),
Caron,	Kirk,	Pinsonneault,	Tupper,
Cheval,	McDonald [<i>Cape Breton</i>],	Platt,	Wallace (<i>Norfolk</i>),
Costigan,	McCallum,	Plumb,	White.—49.
Coupal,			

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Delorme,	Kerr,	Norris,
Aylmer,	De St. Georges,	Kirkpatrick,	Oliver,
Barthe,	Dewdney,	Laflamme,	Paterson,
Bertram,	Dymond,	Laird,	Pelletier,
Blackburn,	Ferris,	Lajoie,	Perry,
Blain,	Fiset,	Landerkin,	Robillard,
Blake,	Fleming,	Langlois,	Ross [<i>Durham</i>],
Borden,	Flynn,	Lanthier,	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Borron,	Forbes,	Laurier,	Ryan,
Bowman,	Fournier,	Macdonald (<i>Cornwall</i>),	Shibley,
Buell,	Frechette,	Macdonald (<i>Glengarry</i>),	Smith (<i>Peel</i>),
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Galbraith,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Smith (<i>Selkirk</i>),
Burpee, (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Geoffrion,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Cameron (<i>Cardwell</i>),	Gill,	McDougall [<i>Renfrew</i>],	Snider,
Cartwright,	Gillies,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	St. Jean,
Casey,	Gillmor,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Taschereau,
Casgrain,	Gordon,	MacLennan,	Thompson (<i>Welland</i>),
Cauchon,	Hagar,	Macmillan,	Tremblay,
Church,	Hall,	McIntyre,	Trow,
Cimon,	Higinbotham,	McIsaac,	Vail,
Cockburn,	Holton,	Metcalfe,	Wilkes,
Cook,	Huntington,	Mills,	Wood,
Currier,	Irving,	Moffat,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>),
Cushing,	Jetté,	Moss,	Young.—99.
Davies,	Jodoin,	Murray,	

Mr. *Irving* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to insert in the Bill, after section 49, the following:—"No error or appeal shall be brought from any judgment-decree, or order of any Court of any of the Provinces, subsequent to the coming into force of this Act, to Her Majesty in Council, but every judgment-decree and order of all Courts of final resort within the several Provinces, in respect of any subject matter or proceeding wherein appeal now lies from any such Courts to Her Majesty in Council, shall and may be appealed to the Supreme Court;" which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Bunster* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of amending it by providing that at least one Judge of the Court shall be selected from the Bench or Bar of the Province of British Columbia; which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Irving* again moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, to re-consider sections 68 and 69; with instructions to the Committee to strike out—"the enactments which provide that issues of fact in cases arising under section 63 of the Bill, shall be tried by the Judge without a Jury—and which provide for the summoning Jurors by the Sheriff or Coroner, according to the laws of the Province of which the Sheriff and Coroner are officers;" which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs

Blain,	Farrow,	McQuade,	Rymal,
Bunster,	Irving,	Monteith,	Scatcherd.—10.
Costigan,	McCallum,		

NAYS.

Messieurs

Archibald,	Delorme,	Landerkin,	Platt,
Baby,	De Veber,	Langlois,	Power,
Bain,	Devlin,	Lanthier,	Pozer,
Barthe,	Dymond,	Laurier,	Robilard,
Bécharde,	Ferguson,	Macdonald (<i>Glengarry</i>),	Rochester,
Bernier,	Fiset,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Ross [<i>Durham</i>],
Biggar,	Fleming,	McDonald (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ross [<i>Middlesex</i>],
Blackburn,	Forbes,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Ross (<i>Prince Edward</i>),
Blake,	Fournier,	McDougall (<i>Renfrew</i>),	Rouleau,
Borden,	Fraser,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	Schultz,
Borron,	Galbraith,	Mackenzie [<i>Lambton</i>],	Scriver,
Bourassa,	Gaudet,	Mackenzie [<i>Montreal</i>],	Shibley,
Bowell,	Geoffrion,	MacLennan,	Smith [<i>Peel</i>],
Bowman,	Gibson,	Macmillan,	Smith [<i>Westmoreland</i>],

Brouse,	Gill,	McCraney,	Snider,
Buell,	Gillies,	McIntyre,	Stephenson,
Burk,	Gordon,	Masson,	Stirton,
Cartwright,	Hagar,	Metcalf,	St. Jean,
Casgrain,	Haggart,	Mills,	Taschereau,
Cauchon,	Hall,	Moffatt,	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Church,	Holton,	Montplaisir,	Thompson [<i>Haldimand</i>],
Cimon,	Horton,	Moss,	Thomson [<i>Welland</i>],
Cockburn,	Hurteau,	Mousseau,	Tremblay,
Cook,	Jetté,	Norris,	Trow,
Coupal,	Jodoin,	Oliver,	Tupper,
Cunningham,	Kerr,	Ouimet,	Vail,
Currier,	Killam,	Palmer,	White,
Cushing,	Kirk,	Peterson,	Wood,
Cuthbert,	Lafamme,	Pelletier,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>),
Davies,	Laird,	Pickard,	Young.—123.
DeCosmos,	Lajoie,	Pinsonneault,	

Mr. *Irving* again moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to insert in the Bill the following section:—

“The judgment of the Supreme Court shall, in all cases, be final and conclusive, and no error or appeal shall be brought from any judgment or order of the Supreme Court to any Court of Appeal established by the Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland, to which appeals or Petitions to Her Majesty in Council may be ordered to be heard, saving any right which Her Majesty may be graciously pleased to exercise by virtue of Her Royal Prerogative;” which was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Appleby,	Cushing,	Lafamme,	Pinsonneault,
Archibald,	Davies,	Laird,	Pouliot,
Bain,	Delorme,	Lajoie,	Power,
Barthe,	De Veber,	Landerkin,	Pozer,
Béchar,	Devlin,	Langlois,	Robillard,
Bernier,	Dymond,	Laurier,	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Bertram,	Fiset,	Macdonald (<i>Glengarry</i>),	Ross [<i>Middlesex</i>],
Biggar,	Fleming,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Rouleau,
Blackburn,	Forbes,	McDougall (<i>Renfrew</i>),	Scatcherd,
Blake,	Fournier,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	Schultz,
Borden,	Galbraith,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Scriven,
Borron,	Gaudet,	Mackenzie (<i>Montreal</i>),	Shibley,
Bourassa,	Geoffrion,	MacLennan,	Sinclair,
Bowman,	Gibson,	McCraney,	Smith (<i>Peel</i>),
Brouse,	Gillies,	McIntyre,	Smith (<i>Selkirk</i>),
Buell,	Gillmor,	McIsaac,	Smith (<i>Westmoreland</i>),
Burk,	Gordon,	McLeod,	Snider,
Cartwright,	Hagar,	Metcalf,	Stirton,
Casey,	Hall,	Mills,	St. Jean,
Casgrain,	Holton,	Moffat,	Taschereau,
Cauchon,	Horton,	Montplaisir,	Thompson (<i>Haldimand</i>),
Cheval,	Huntington,	Moss,	Tremblay,
Church,	Irving,	Murray,	Trow,
Cockburn,	Jetté,	Norris,	Vail,
Cook,	Jodoin,	Oliver,	Wallace (<i>Albert</i>),
Costigan,	Kerr,	Paterson,	Wood,
Coupal,	Killam,	Pelletier,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>),
Cunningham,	Kirk,	Pickard,	Young—112.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Baby,	Gill,	MacMillan,	Robitaille,
Bowell,	Haggart,	McCallum,	Ross (<i>Prince Edward</i>),
Brown,	Hurteau,	McQuade,	Stephenson,
Cameron (<i>Cardwell</i>),	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Masson,	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Casey,	Kirkpatrick,	Monteith,	Thompson (<i>Welland</i>),
Cimon,	Lanthier,	Mousseau,	Tupper,
Cuthbert,	Little,	Ouimet,	Wallace (<i>Norfolk</i>),
Farrow,	Macdonald (<i>Cornwall</i>),	Palmer,	White,
Ferguson,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Perry,	Wilkes,
Fraser,	McDonald (<i>Cape-Breton</i>),	Pope,	Wright [<i>Ottawa</i>].—40.

The House accordingly went again into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill, and amended the same in conformity therewith; the Bill as amended was then reported, and the amendment concurred in.

Mr. *Fournier* moved, that the said Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. *Mousseau* moved in amendment thereto, that the Bill be again re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend it to the following effect:—

"The Supreme Court shall consist of a Chief Justice who shall be called The High Chancellor of Canada," and of two Judges of each of the Provinces of the Dominion, namely, the Chief Justice and the Chancellor of the Province of Ontario; the Chief Justice of the Court of Queen's Bench and the Chief Justice of the Superior Court of the Province of Quebec; the Chief Justice and the Puisne Judge first in rank by seniority of appointment of the highest Court of each of the other Provinces.

"The High Chancellor and one of the said two Judges of each of the said Provinces shall constitute a quorum to take cognizance of a case, matter, or thing with reference to which jurisdiction is given to the said Supreme Court.

"The jurisdiction of the said Supreme Court shall extend to the Constitutional question indicated in sections 55, 56 and 57 of the said Bill and to those in relation to which any Province may give to the said Court cognizance and jurisdiction in the manner prescribed by Section 58 of this Act.

"The said Supreme Court shall also have cognizance of appeals in matters of *Controverted Elections*, in cases and in the manner provided for by Section 59 of this Act, and on cases relating to the Revenue and other matters set forth in Sections 63 and 64 of the said Bill, adjudicated upon by the Courts of the several Provinces of Canada.

"The jurisdiction of the said Supreme Court shall extend only to the matters aforesaid and to no other matter or thing whatsoever.

"The said Supreme Court shall hold one Term each year and the beginning and duration thereof shall be determined by an Order of the Governor in Council and published in the *Canada Gazette*.

"The said Supreme Court may further adjourn from time to time, and be convened in the manner directed by Section 15 of this Act."

That the Courts of the several Provinces of Canada having both original and appellate jurisdiction (in the same manner as those of Manitoba and British Columbia) in cases relating to the Revenue and other matters set forth in Sections 63 and 64 of the said Bill, the said Sections 63 and 64, the Section 72, and all the words after "The Supreme Court of Canada," in the first section of the said Bill, and all provisions relating thereto, be struck out; that all and every thing in the said Bill contrary to the foregoing be struck out, and the whole Bill so changed as to accord with this amendment; which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Laflamme* then moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend section 17 of the said Bill by substituting the words "two thousand dollars" instead of the words "one thousand dollars" in line 7 of the said section; which was agreed to.

The House accordingly went again into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill, and amended the same in conformity therewith; the Bill as amended was then reported, and the amendment concurred in.

Mr. *Fournier* moved, that the said Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. *Mousseau* moved in amendment thereto, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend it, by substituting for section 83, the following:—"This Act, or any part thereof, shall take effect and be exercised only at and after such time, or times, as shall be appointed by Proclamation, under order of the Governor in Council; but no such Proclamation shall take place, nor be issued in any case, unless and until this Act is adopted and approved of by the Legislature of each Province of the Dominion;" which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Mills* then moved in amendment, that the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, so to amend it as to confer upon the Supreme Court appellate jurisdiction in Admiralty cases.

And a Debate arising thereon, the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

Mr. *Gordon* then moved the "Previous Question," viz.:—that the question be now put.

And a Debate arising thereon,—the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

Mr. *Mousseau* again moved in amendment, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend it, by substituting for section 83, the following:—

This Act, or any part thereof, shall take effect and be exercised only and after each time, or times, as shall be appointed by Proclamation, under order of the Governor in Council; but in so far as this Act concerns the Province of Quebec, no such Proclamation shall have effect, unless, and until this Act is adopted and approved of by the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, as to the appellate jurisdiction of "The Supreme Court, in cases relating to property, civil rights, and civil procedure, in the said Province of Quebec;" which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,
Béchar, d,
Bernier,
Caron,
Cimon,

Coupal,
Cuthbert,
Gaudet,
Gill,
Hurteau,

Jones [*Leeds*],
McDonald [*Cape Breton*],
Masson,
Montplaisir,
Mousseau,

Ouimet,
Pinsonneault,
Rouleau,
Taschereau,
Wright (*Ottawa*).—20.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Aylmer,	Fiset,	Macdonald [<i>Glengarry</i>],	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Bain,	Fleming,	Macdonald [<i>Kingston</i>],	Ross [<i>Middlesex</i>]
Barthe,	Forbes,	Macdonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Ross (<i>Prince-Edward</i>),
Biggar,	Fournier,	Macdonald [<i>Elgin</i>],	Scatcherd,
Blackburn,	Fraser,	McDougall [<i>Renfrew</i>],	Schultz,
Blake,	Fréchette,	McKay, (<i>Colechester</i>),	Scriver,
Bowell,	Galbraith,	Maekenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Sinclair,
Bowman,	Geoffrion,	MacLennan,	Skinner,
Brouse,	Gillies,	McCallum,	Smith [<i>Peel</i>],
Brown,	Gillmor,	McCraney,	Smith (<i>Selkirk</i>),
Buell,	Gordon,	McIntyre,	Snider,
Burk,	Hagar,	Metcalfe,	Stephenson,
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Higinbotham,	Mills,	Stirton,
Cartwright,	Holton,	Mitchell,	St. Jean,
Casey,	Horton,	Monteith,	Thompson [<i>Haldimand</i>].
Casgrain,	Huntington.	Moss,	Thomson [<i>Welland</i>],
Cauchon,	Irving,	Murray,	Tremblay,
Cheval,	Jetté,	Norris,	Trow,
Church,	Jodoin,	Oliver,	Tupper,
Cockburn,	Kerr,	Orton,	Vail,
Cook,	Kirkpatrick,	Paterson,	Wallace [<i>Norfolk</i>],
Cushing,	Laflamme,	Pelletier,	White,
Davies,	Laird,	Pickard,	Wood,
Delorme,	Landerkin,	Pope,	Wright [<i>Pontiac</i>],
Dymond,	Langlois,	Pouliot,	Young.—106.
Farrow,	Laurier,	Poser,	
Ferguson,	Macdonald [<i>Cornwall</i>],	Robillard,	

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Cartwright* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for The House to go again into Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Holton* moved in amendment, that Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, but that it be *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that steps should be taken to ascertain the feasibility and the cost of adapting the Welland Canal to vessels drawing fourteen feet of water, before the Government is irrevocably committed to plans involving a less depth; which was negatived on a division.

The main motion was then agreed to, and The House accordingly went again into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee)

The following Resolutions were adopted :—

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

187. Circuit allowances, British Columbia..... \$5,000 00

POLICE.

MOUNTED POLICE.

North-West.

188.	{	Cost of organization in excess of estimate.....	27,045 50	
		Transport of Police and stores, and disbursements of officers in organization of force.....	19,080 43	
		Value of stores sent to Swan River.....	26,007 56	
		Transport of stores sent to Swan River.....	18,459 58	
		Balance awarded contractor for fitting up barracks at Lower Fort Garry.....	2,317 64	
		Pay of guides and ox-drivers.....	4,000 00	
		Erection of winter quarters at Rocky Mountains.....	25,000 00	
		Unforeseen expenses in consequence of return of a portion of the force to Manitoba for the winter.....	5,000 00	
				126,910 71

PENITENTIARIES.

189. Maintenance of prisoners, Manitoba, British Columbia and Prince Edward Island (additional)..... 15,000 00

St. Vincent de Paul.

190.	{ Unexpended balance of 1873-74 (revote).....	7,714 74	
	{ To pay for the erection of eight tenements, to be occupied as dwellings by the guards.....	3,500 00	
	{ To cover cost of water works at the above Penitentiary.....	9,890 73	21,105 47

LEGISLATION.

191.	Library of Parliament (additional).....	2,000 00	
192.	To pay for printing of Criminal Laws.....	4,400 00	
193.	To pay expenses in connection with revision of Electoral Lists.....	4,000 00	
194.	Towards purchase of Ballot Boxes.....	2,250 00	
195.	To pay salaries of Draughtsmen and other expenses in connection with the preparation of Maps for the Railway Committee under the supervision of the Clerk of The House.....	3,680 00	16,330 00

And the House having continued to sit in Committee, until 12 of the clock, midnight ;

WEDNESDAY, the 31st March, 1875.

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

196.	Unexpended balance of 1873-4 (revote).....	15,644 54
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PENSIONS.

197.	To pay E. Duckett, late Customs Officer, Halifax, in fulfilment of an agreement made by the Government of Nova Scotia prior to Confederation.....	250 00
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MILITIA.

198.	Ammunition (revote).....	20,000 00	
199.	Clothing do	75,000 00	
200.	Military stores do	50,000 00	
201.	Drill sheds and rifle ranges.....	5,000 00	
202.	Pay, maintenance, and equipment of A. and B. Batteries of Garrison Artillery, and Schools of Gunnery at Kingston and Quebec.....	15,000 00	165,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

Public Buildings.

203.	Barracks at Fort Pelly.....	30,000 00
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Dredge Vessels.

204.	To pay for dredge vessel taken from Prince Edward Island Government, in accordance with terms of union.....	22,000 00	52,000 00
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OCEAN AND RIVER STEAM AND PACKET SERVICE.

DOMINION STEAMERS.

205.	To provide for additional amount required for repairs of steamers "Napoleon III" and "Sir James Douglas,".....	25,000 00
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MAIL SUBSIDIES.

206.	For steam communication with the Magdalen Islands (for a part of the season of navigation).....	3,000 00	
207.	For winter steam service between Prince Edward Island and the Mainland.....	10,000 00	
208.	For steam service between Nova Scotia and Newfoundland.....	5,000 00	43,000 00

LIGHT-HOUSES AND COAST SERVICE.

209.	Construction of light-houses, unexpended balance of 1873-74 (revote)...		43,351 58
210.	{ Additional amount required for repairs to Red Island lightship.....	15,000 00	
	{ Extra allowance to staff at Signal Station, Halifax.....	238 00	
		<hr/>	15,238 00

FISHERIES.

211.	{ Ontario, fishery overseers.....	500 00	
	{ Quebec, do	800 00	
	{ Nova Scotia do	1,000 00	
		<hr/>	2,300 00
212.	Fish breeding (additional).....		3,000 00

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY AND OBSERVATORIES.

213.	Geological survey, unexpended balance of 1873-74.....	5,207 60	
214.	To pay for altering and improving of apparatus for observatory, Quebec.	500 00	
		<hr/>	5,707 60

INDIANS.

215.	To relieve such cases of distress as may be reported as existing among the Indians of Lake St. John and of the Saguenay District below Lake St. John.....	200 00	
216.	To meet cost of conveying men and provisions from Fort Garry to the Northwest angle of the Lake of the Woods, when negotiating Treaty No. 3.....	3,651 57	
217.	To pay the cost of missions to the Blackfeet and Plain Cree Indians.....	2,548 02	
218.	To pay first payment to such Indians as were absent when Treaty No. 4 was negotiated, and to provide them with presents and seed grain in accordance with the Treaty.....	6,000 00	
		<hr/>	12,399 59

BOUNDARY SURVEYS.

219.	To provide one half of the British share of the expenditure on survey of the boundary line between Canada and the United States (part revote).....	150,000 00	
220.	Unexpended balance of 1873-74 for survey of boundary between Ontario and the North-West.....	21,692 40	
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MISCELLANEOUS.

221.	Canada Gazette (additional).....	850 00	
222.	Miscellaneous Printing (do).....	1,500 00	
223.	To pay to R. S. M. Bouchette for himself and the other heirs of the late Joseph Bouchette, Esq., in recognition of the value and importance to the country of the Geographical Works of the latter, and in furtherance of a recommendation of a Committee of the House of Commons on the 14th May, 1873.....	4,000 00	
224.	To pay a gratuity to Mrs. Catherine Todd, widow of the late Alfred Todd, for forty years in the employ of the Canadian Legislative Assembly and House of Commons, in recognition of the long and faithful services of her deceased husband.....	1,000 00	
225.	Unexpended balance of 1873-74 of Vote for expenses of Removal of Depreciated Coin, Province of Nova Scotia.....	31,764 09	
226.	Unexpended balance of 1873-74 of Vote for Compensation for losses to sufferers in the North-West Territory.....	656 55	
227.	To pay to the Municipalities of Lower Canada, who withdrew their capital prior to 30th June, 1874, the discount of 25 per cent. deducted from them.....	46,697 37	
228.	To pay to the Hon. D. A. Smith, M.P., the sum of £600 advanced by him on the 6th February, 1872, together with interest thereon.....	3,562 50	
229.	To pay the sum agreed to be paid to certain parties for services during the troubles in the North-West Territories.....	2,500 00	
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CHARGES ON REVENUE.

CULLING TIMBER.

230.	{ Salaries (additional).....	1,000 00	
	{ Fees do	15,000 00	
	{ Contingencies do	1,000 00	
		<hr/>	17,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS.

SLIDES AND BOOMS.

231. To pay for damages connected with slides and booms, Madawaska River, Ottawa River District.....	5,576 00	
232. Additional for contingencies at agencies.....	600 00	
		6,176 00

RAILWAYS.

233. Compensation for accidents, Intercolonial Railway.....	2,000 00	
234. To pay for cost in connection with the change of gauge of Road, and for Rolling Stock.....	800,000 00	
		802,000 00

POST OFFICE.

235. { Ontario and Quebec (additional).....	50,000 00	
{ Nova Scotia do	4,000 00	
{ New Brunswick do	4,000 00	
		58,000 00
236. Unprovided items of 1873-74 (<i>vide</i> Public Accounts of 1873-74, part II., page 333).....		24,150 96

Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again at the next sitting of The House, this day.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following two Bills, *with amendments, viz* :—
No. 41. To amend the Act passed by the Parliament of the late Province of Canada, intituled: "An
Act to incorporate The Montreal Board of Trade.

No. 53. To incorporate the Canadian Steam Users' Association.

The House then adjourned at 3:30 A. M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Palmer*—On Thursday next—COMMITTEE of the Whole to consider the following Resolution:—

Whereas, in the opinion of this House, Legislation by the Imperial Parliament affecting the interests of Canadian ship-owners, where they are not represented, is unfair to that interest, and that all necessary Legislation on that subject might properly be had in the Province of Canada.

And whereas, by the British North America Act the Canadian Parliament is authorized to make all such Laws as may be deemed necessary in relation to the regulating of Canadian Trade and Commerce and Shipping and Navigation, and the exercise of the same authority by the Imperial Parliament is not only inconsistent with the full exercise of the said authority so granted to the Canadian Parliament, but is also a violation of the principles of self-government conceded to this country and extremely vexatious to the people thereof.

And whereas, several Acts have been recently introduced into the British House of Commons seriously affecting Canadian ships and the rights and liabilities of the owners thereof;

Therefore, *Resolved*, That this House respectfully protest against such Legislation, and against all Legislation by the Imperial Parliament affecting Canadian shipping, without the consent of the Canadian Parliament.

Mr. *Palmer*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY.—Whether any, or what measures have been taken by the Government, in view of the Imperial Legislation affecting Canadian ships, and the rights and liabilities of Canadian ship-owners, to prevent Imperial Legislation on that subject, without the consent of the Parliament of Canada; and if so, what are the results of such measures?

Mr. *Mitchell*—On Thursday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of datum height of Intercolonial Railway Bridges over the North and South-west branches of the Miramichi River, and of the extent to which said Bridges interfere with the navigation, and with steamers sailing on the said River, and praying that the owners of any such steamers now on said River may be compensated for any expense they may be put to in altering the same, to enable them to pass under the said Bridge.

Mr. *Caron*—On Thursday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY.—Whether it is the intention of the Government to allow Volunteer Companies to fill up to 55 men and 3 officers as formerly, instead of 42 non-commissioned officers per Company and 2 commissioned officers as at present; and whether men are to be paid according to rank?

PRIVATE BILLS NOTICE.

The following Bill was this day posted for consideration by the *Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce on or after Thursday, 1st April*:—

No. 129. From the Senate, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Lumber and Timber Association of Ontario and Quebec."

No. 40.

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 30TH MARCH, 1875.

2nd Session, 3rd Parliament, 38 Victoria, 1875.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

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No. 41.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 31st MARCH, 1875.

Four Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of Normanby, and of *Alexander Turnbull* and others, of Glenelg, County of Grey; of *John Rogers* and others, of Mount Forest, County of Wellington; of *Robert Carson* and others, of Amaranth, County of Dufferin; of *E. R. Morden* and others, of Flamboro and Beverly, County of Wentworth; of *William Burr* and others, of Mornington, County of Perth; of *Neil McIntyre*, M. D., and others, and of *Edward Holmes* and others, of the Township of Winchester, County of Dundas, severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. *Huntington* presented,—Return to Address of the 15th instant; for copies of all correspondence, memoranda, propositions, Reports to Council, and Minutes of Council in relation to aiding the Chatham Branch Railway, or in connection therewith.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the eleventh Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill (No. 101) to change the name of the "Mutual Insurance Company of Canada," to "The Dominion Life Assurance Company;" and to amend their Act of incorporation, *with amendments*.

Mr. *Young*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented as their third Report, the second Report of their Sub-Committee appointed to enquire into the expenditure for Penitentiaries and Prison Inspection, and especially into the purchase of a quarry and house for the Warden at *St. Vincent de Paul*; together with the evidence taken by them, and the documents and returns furnished them for the purposes of the enquiry; which is as follows:—

COMMITTEE ROOM, II. OF C.,
OTTAWA, 31st March, 1875.

The Sub-Committee beg leave to present their second Report, and regret that owing to the advanced period of the Session at which they were appointed, and their necessary attendance on other duties, they have been unable to complete the important enquiry referred to them; but they have obtained much valuable information regarding the general expenditure for Penitentiaries, and the comparative cost of maintaining convicts at the large Penitentiary at *Kingston*, and the smaller Penitentiaries at *St. Vincent de Paul*, *Halifax*, and *St. John*.

The Sub-Committee have also adduced evidence with respect to the granting of a contract for firewood at the Penitentiary at *St. Vincent de Paul*, in 1874; and also with respect to the purchase of a large

quantity of lumber for new erections and proposed extensions of existing structures there in the same year. The evidence taken on the several topics is appended hereto, together with documents and returns furnished to the Sub-Committee, at their request, for the purposes of the enquiry.

All which is respectfully submitted.

L. H. HOLTON,
Chairman.

(For the evidence, documents and returns, see Appendix to the Journals.)

On motion of Mr. *Schultz*, the fee on Bill [No. 63] to incorporate the North-Western Manufacturing Company, was ordered to be refunded, less the expense of printing incurred, as the Bill has not been reported on by the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Mr. *Blake* moved, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for the House to go into Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*, That by the 56th Clause of the British North America Act 1867, it is in effect enacted that when the Governor General assents to a Bill in the Queen's name, the Queen in Council may within two years after its receipt disallow such Act.

2. *Resolved*, That by the 90th clause of the said Statute it is enacted that the above provision shall extend and apply to the Legislatures of the several Provinces as if re-enacted, with the substitution of the Lieutenant Governor for the Governor General, of the Governor General for the Queen, of one year for two years, and of the Province for Canada.

3. *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House the power of disallowance of Acts of a Local Legislature conferred by the said Statute is thereunder vested in the Governor General in Council, and that His Excellency's Ministers are responsible to Parliament for the action of the Governor General in exercising or abstaining from the exercise of the said power.

4. *Resolved*, That by a letter dated 13th December, 1872, the Registrar of the Privy Council of the United Kingdom conveyed to the Colonial Office the opinion of the Lord President of the Council that the power of confirming or disallowing local Acts is under the said Statute vested in the Governor General acting under the advice of his constitutional advisers.

5. *Resolved*, That notwithstanding the premises by a despatch dated 30th June, 1873, the Secretary for the Colonies in response to an application from the Governor General for instructions on the subject informed His Excellency that he was advised by the Law Officers of the Crown that the question of disallowance or allowance of Local Acts is a matter in which His Excellency must act on his own individual discretion, and in which he cannot be guided by the advice of his responsible Ministers.

6. *Resolved*, That this House feels bound in assertion of the constitutional rights of the Canadian people to record its protest against, and dissent from the said instruction, and to declare its determination to hold His Excellency's Ministers responsible for his action in the exercise of the power so conferred by the said Statute.

And a Debate arising thereon, the said motion was, with leave of The House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Plumb*, an Address was voted to His Excellency, for a statement of all expenses incurred in the furtherance of late negotiations with the United States, for a Treaty of Commercial Reciprocity.

Mr. *Tupper* moved, that an Address be voted to His Excellency, for copies of all specifications and contracts for any portion of a Canadian Pacific Railway Telegraph; with all correspondence relating thereto.

Mr. *Bowell* moved in amendment, that the said motion be amended by adding thereto the following words:—"And this House regrets that contracts have been made by the Government for the construction of the line of Telegraph from Lake Superior to Cash Creek, before the location of the line of the Canadian Pacific Railway has been determined upon.

And a Debate arising thereon, at 6 o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker adjourned The House, until half-past seven P. M.

7.30 P. M.

(The Order for Private Bills was called under Rule 19.)

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, viz:—

No. 75. To authorize *Francois, Xavier Galarneau* and others, to build a Bridge over the River L'Assomption, in the Parish of L'Assomption (*amended*).

No. 100. From the Senate, intitled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Canada Car Manufacturing Company," [*amended*].

No. 102. To change the corporate name of the St. Lawrence Navigation Company (steam), and to confer on it certain powers.

No. 69. To incorporate "The Dominion Railways Equipment Company."

No. 103. To incorporate the Quebec and Lake Huron Direct Railway Company.

No. 106. Respecting the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company.

The Bill (No. 50) respecting the Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The amendments made by the Senate to the following two Bills, were severally taken into consideration, and concurred in, *viz.*:—

No. 41. To amend the Act passed by the Parliament of the late Province of Canada, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Montreal Board of Trade."

No. 53. To incorporate "The Canadian Steam Users' Association."

Mr. *Pozer*, from the Select Standing Committee on Immigration and Colonization, presented the first Report of the said Committee.

The Bill (No. 13) to provide for the institution of suits against the Crown by Petition of Right, and settling procedure in Crown suits, was read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 70) to amend the Act to make better provision for the inspection of certain staple articles of Canadian produce, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill [No. 114] to amend the Railway Act, 1868, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines.

Mr. *Holton* moved, that The House do now proceed to Government Orders of the Day, which was agreed to.

The House then went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

237. Law Books for Supreme Court..... \$3,000 00

LEGISLATION.

238. To provide for cost of Ballot Boxes..... 4,000 00

ARTS, AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

239. To provide for further amount estimated to be required in connection with the Philadelphia Exhibition..... 60,000 00

PENSIONS.

240. To pay to E. Duckett, late Customs Officer, Halifax, in fulfilment of an agreement made by the Government of Nova Scotia prior to Confederation 250 00

MILITIA.

241. Drill Sheds..... 30,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS, CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

IMPROVEMENT OF NAVIGABLE RIVERS.

242. { River Detroit, removal of rocks..... 5,000 00
 { Napanee River (Local authorities contributing proportionate sum)..... 7,500 00
 { Improvement of channel between Tusket Island and Main Land, Nova Scotia..... 500 00

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

243. To aid in building bridge at Winnipeg..... 25,000 00

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Ontario.

244. { Toronto Savings Bank and Inland Revenue Office..... 5,000 00
 { Marine Hospital, St. Catherines..... 2,000 00
 { Post Office, Ottawa..... 8,000 00
 ----- 15,000 00

Nova Scotia.

245. Marine Hospital, Arichat, C.B.....	\$1,000 00
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Prince Edward Island.

246. Marine Hospital, Souris.....	2,000 00
247. Arbitrations and Awards (additional).....	5,000 00
248. Rents, Repairs, Furniture and Heating (additional).....	12,000 00

HARBOURS AND BREAKWATERS.

Quebec.

249. { Baie St. Paul, extension to low water.....	8,000 00	
{ Saguenay River, Bagotville.....	2,000 00	
{ Malbaie, extension of breakwater.....	8,000 00	
{ Eboulements do do	7,500 00	
{ Rivière Blanche, partial renewal of breakwater.....	2,000 00	
		27,500 00

Ontario.

250. { Toronto Harbour.....	20,000 00	
{ Port Elgin, Lake Huron (Local authorities furnishing an equal sum)	5,000 00	
{ Oshawa.....	5,000 00	
		30,000 00

New Brunswick.

251. { Grand Anse, Baie des Chaleurs (Local authorities contributing an equal sum).....	3,000 00	
{ Campo Bello (Local authorities to furnish \$1,000).....	600 00	
{ Shippegan.....	11,000 00	
		14,600 00

Nova Scotia.

252. { Margarec.....	3,000 00	
{ Harbourville.....	2,000 00	
{ Broad Cove, Lunenburg Co., breakwater (any further sum required to be furnished by Local authorities).....	3,000 00	
{ Margaretville.....	5,000 00	
{ Oyster Pond, Chedabucto Bay (Local authorities contributing an equal sum).....	2,000 00	
{ Cow Bay Breakwater (to be purchased).....	25,000 00	
{ Breakwater between Michaud and Mark Points, Richmond County, C.B.	10,000 00	
{ Cranberry Head (Local authorities contributing an equal sum).....	2,000 00	
{ South Ingonish, C.B.....	35,000 00	
{ Church Point (Local authorities contributing an equal amount).....	2,000 00	
{ Saulnierville, do do do	2,000 00	
		91,000 00

Prince Edward Island.

253. Colville Bay (Souris).....	20,000 00
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SLIDES AND BOOMS.

254. { Ottawa River District, Dam at the Joachim Rapids.....	5,200 00	
{ St. Maurice River District, completion of Grandes Piles Dam.....	4,000 00	
		9,200 00
255. Dredge, tug, punts, &c., Victoria B. C.....	2,000 00	

OCEAN AND RIVER STEAM AND PACKET SERVICE.

MAIL SUBSIDIES.

256. Steam communication with the Magdalen Island.....	4,200 00
257. Winter service by steamer, between Prince Edward Island and the main land.....	15,000 00
258. Steam communication between Nova Scotia and Newfoundland.....	5,000 00
259. Steam service between Grand Manan Island, N. B., and the main land....	1,500 00
260. To provide for the purchase of life boats (additional).....	3,000 00

DOMINION STEAMERS.

261. To provide for purchase of two steamers for light-houses and fisheries services	\$85,000 00	
262. To provide for maintenance of above.....	20,000 00	
		133,700 00

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY AND OBSERVATORIES.

263. Towards providing telegraphic communication between Matane and Magdalen River, furnishing instruments and equipping stations.....	5,000 00
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INDIANS.

264. To aid Indian schools where most required.....	2,000 00
265. For the purchase of agricultural implements, seed and farming stock for the Sioux on Little Saskatchewan Reserve.....	5,000 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

266. <i>Canada Gazette</i> (additional).....	850 00
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Resolutions to be reported.

Report to be received,—and Committee to sit again, to-morrow.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment*, viz :—

No. 84. Respecting the Canada Central Railway Company.

No. 59. To incorporate "The Metropolitan Insurance Company of Canada."

No. 43. To amend the Acts of incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.

No. 64. To change the name of the Montreal, Chambly and Sorel Railway Company, to the Montreal, Portland and Boston Railway Company."

No. 71. To amend the Act 37 *Vict.*, Cap. 115, incorporating "The International Express Company."

No. 57. To incorporate "The Anglo-French Steamship Company."

No. 48. To incorporate the European and American Express and Agency Company.

No. 56. To re-arrange the Capital of the Northern Railway Company of Canada, to consolidate the enactments relating to the said Company, to enable the said Company to change the gauge of its Railway, and to amalgamate with the Northern Extension Railways Company; and for other purposes.

No. 61. To incorporate the National Insurance Company.

No. 23. To amend the Act for the more speedy trial, in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

No. 90. Further to amend the Act respecting the treatment and relief of sick and distressed Mariners.

No. 104. To amend "An Act respecting the appropriation of certain Dominion Lands of Manitoba."

Also,—agreeing to the amendments made by this House, to the following two Bills of their own, *without any amendment*, viz :—

No. 92. Intituled: "An Act to provide for the amalgamation of the Niagara District Bank, with the Imperial Bank of Canada."

No. 82. Intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Gas Lighting Company."

Also,—agreeing to the Bill [No. 35] respecting Penitentiaries, and the Inspection thereof, and for other purposes, *with amendments*. [On motion of Mr. Fournier, the amendments were read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Mackenzie [Lambton] presented,—Return to Address of the 15th instant, for all papers, correspondence, telegrams or Orders in Council connected with the sale of certain Ordnance Lands at Fredericton, N. B., to the Fredericton Branch Railroad Company, or to Temple & Burpee, or other parties, and all papers, correspondence, telegrams and Orders in Council connected with the cancelling of said sale; also the memorial from the Corporation of Fredericton, N. B., praying for the sale to be cancelled.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Dowdney*—On Friday next—As the injudicious course pursued by Mr. *Walkem*, the self-appointed delegate from British Columbia to the Imperial Government, in not treating with Mr. *Edgar* the accredited agent of the Dominion Government, on the question of Relaxation of the Terms of Union with British Columbia, has been the means of delaying Railway construction on Vancouver's Island for nearly two years, and by his action while negotiating with Lord *Carnarvon* he entirely ignored the interests of the Mainland of British Columbia, which will also be the means of delaying the commencement of Public Works in that section of the Province for at least another year. This House is of opinion that with the delay forced upon the country by such action (inasmuch as upon the wise selection of the main line for the Canadian Pacific Railway through British Columbia and its Terminus on the Pacific Ocean will depend the success of the enterprise, in a commercial point of view, as competing for the Eastern Trade from China and Japan with the American lines of Railway; and whereas the surveys are so far advanced that now the question of route lies between two, known as the Bute Inlet and Fraser River routes, and it being the impression of the Government that another season will be required to complete the surveys so as to determine the cost of the line on the most difficult portions of the Fraser River Route, which has the advantage in distance of 190 miles over the Bute Inlet Route, should it be thought advisable to carry it along the Inlet and down the east coast of Vancouver's Island, and of 40 miles if no further than the head of Bute Inlet, also in grades and in other advantages too numerous to mention in this Resolution), that no selection of route should be made until all the information is laid before Parliament when The House will have an opportunity of assisting the Government to come to a final determination of this most important question; and it is further the opinion of this House, that the surveys should be expeditiously forwarded that all Reports and other information might be ready at the next Session of Parliament.

Mr. *Macdonald* (Glengarry)—On Saturday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General praying that he will be pleased to authorize the Postmaster-General to make arrangements with all Proprietors of Newspapers and Periodicals published in Canada, who may apply for the transmission thereof by Post, during such period prior to the 1st October next, as may be agreed upon, at the rates of postage and on the conditions, at and on which, under the Bill in that behalf now awaiting His Excellency's sanction, they will be transmissible on and after the said 1st day of October next; assuring His Excellency that this House will concur in any measure that may be requisite for making good any expenditure or loss of revenue involved in such arrangements.

Mr. *Bunster*—On Monday next—That it is highly desirable in the public interest that the route of the Pacific Railway from the Rocky Mountains to the Seaboard on Johnson's Straits or the Gulf of Georgia should be defined and made known with as little delay as possible, compatible with a thorough survey of the country.

That whilst acknowledging the unqualified right of Parliament to deal with all public matters, yet in some instances it may be inexpedient and not in the public interest to incur the delay which might be necessitated by having to wait for the assembling of Parliament.

That the question above alluded to should be dealt with on its own merits, and that the Government should be left free to arrive at a conclusion in the premises after due consideration, strengthened by the matured opinions of competent Engineers who have given their whole attention to the subject and who are best qualified to indicate the most advantageous and least expensive route.

No. 41.

OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 31ST MAY

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

HOUSE OF COMMONS

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No. 42.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 1ST APRIL, 1875.

One Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *William E. Flewelling* and others, of the Township of Nichol, County of Wellington; of *Allan McDougall*, and others, of *W. Ferguson* and others, of the Village of Priceville, of *Peter B. Kelly* and others of *Alexander McKechnie* and others, of the Township of Egremont, and of *Robert Reed* and others, of the Township of Bentinek, County of Grey; of the Reverend *George Holmes* and others, of the Village of Aylmer, County of Elgin; of *Thomas Kennedy* and others, of the Township of Blanshard, County of Perth; of *W. E. Gardener* and others, of the Town of Chatham, of *William Ross* and others, of *John Corbett* and others, of Cookstown, and of *Oscar M. Doan* and others, of Thornton and Cookstown, County of Simcoe; of *John McKay* and others, of Wyoming, and of *Albert Duncan* and others, of Moore, Sarnia, and Enniskillen, County of Lambton; of *Thomas McNaughton* and others, and of *David Ramsay* and others, of the Town of Cobourg, County of Northumberland; of the Reverend *W. C. Jolley* and others, of Allenford and vicinity County of Bruce; of *Samuel Bretz* and others, of the County of Oxford; and of *James Foote* and others, of the Village of Varna, Township of Stanley, County of Huron; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory, Liquor Law.

Of *Henry A. Budden* and others, Proprietors of Real Estate in the City of Montreal; setting forth that a By-law was passed by the City Council of the said City, authorizing the Mayor to subscribe for and take one hundred thousand shares of Stock in the Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company; and praying that no Bill be passed relating to the said Company, which does not preserve the right of all parties interested to obtain a decision from the Courts as to the validity of the said by-law, and that no change whatever in the position of the said City towards the said Company in connection with the said subscription of stock, may be allowed.

Of *Nathan M. Bennett* and others, Justices of the Peace, of the County of Albert, New Brunswick; praying for the passing of an Act extending to the said County the privilege of withholding the granting of Licenses for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors.

Mr. *Huntington* presented,—Return to Address of the 15th ultimo; for all papers and correspondence, advertisements for Tenders, if any, with terms of renewal or extension of subsidy to Quebec and Gulf Ports Company for service between St. Lawrence and Pictou, showing for what special service that renewal of subsidy was given, also whether any of the parties or companies intimated a desire to compete for the service.

Also,—Return to Address of the 15th ultimo; for copies of the Reports of the Dominion Government Engineer, appointed to survey and report upon Harbors and Breakwaters in Prince Edward Island.

And also,—Return to Address of the 15th ultimo; for a Return of all decisions made since the 1st of January, 1875, by the Supreme Court of New Brunswick, with reference to the jurisdiction of the Local Government or Municipal authorities in that Province in granting or withholding licenses for the sale, or regulating the sale, of spirituous liquors.

Mr. Smith (Westmoreland), presented,—Copy of correspondence relative to the grant by the Quebec Government of \$1,000, to the Marine and Immigrant Hospital, Quebec.

Mr. Young, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented as their fourth Report, the Report of their Sub-Committee appointed to examine into the charges made by Mr. *Brylges in re* Messrs. *Fraser, Reynolds & Co.*, and purchases of iron and iron rails; together with the evidence taken by them.

(For the said Report and evidence, see Appendix to the Journals.)

Mr. Ross (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented as their eleventh Report, the Report of their Sub-Committee, to whom was delegated the management of the publishing the Debates of the House of Commons; which is as follows:—

COMMITTEE ROOM,
1st April, 1875.

The Sub-Committee to whom were delegated the management of the publishing the Debates of the House of Commons, beg leave to report:—

That they have arranged to have the Debates of the present Session translated into French, at the rate of \$1.25 per page, as printed in the Book edition.

That for the purpose of finishing the reporting and editing, and the preparing and supervising the printing of an Index to the Debates the Sub-Committee recommend that the contract with Mr. *Burgess* be extended to the 15th inst., but that if the work be not completed by that time Mr. *Burgess* to finish the same without extra charge.

The Sub-Committee would recommend a different and better style of binding for the Debates than that now contracted for, if a reasonable arrangement can be made for that purpose.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. W. ROSS,

On motion of Mr. Ross [Middlesex], the said Report was concurred in.

Mr. Moss, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the twelfth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill [No. 129] from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Lumber and Timber Association of Ontario and Quebec," with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Jetté, the fees on Bill [No. 60] to further amend the Act 14 and 15 Vict., Cap. 36, incorporating the Canada Guarantee Company,—and on Bill [No. 86] to change the name of the Montreal Permanent Building Society to that of "The Montreal Savings and Loan Company," and to extend the powers thereof, were ordered to be re-funded, as both these Bills have not been reported on by the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom they were referred.

On motion of Mr. Irving, the fees paid on Bill (No. 37) respecting the International Bridge Company, —and on Bill (No. 40) to incorporate "The Manitoba and North-West Permanent Building Society," were ordered to be refunded, as both the Bills have not been reported on by the Select Standing Committees, to which they were respectively referred.

The Bill (No. 116) respecting the Trinity House and Harbor Commissioners of Quebec, was read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 123) further to amend the General Act respecting Railways, was read the second time, and considered in Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker having resumed the Chair,

The Chairman reported that the Committee wished to be instructed by the House, whether it was allowable for the Honorable Member for Cumberland to move that the following section be added to the fourth section of the Bill: "All goods, wares, merchandize, commodities and supplies of every kind required for the use or purposes of every Government Railway for a greater amount than \$1,000, shall be purchased." It was with respect to this amendment two points of Order had been raised:—First. That it was not relevant to the Bill, and could not be properly moved in the Committee. Secondly. That the amendment imposed a burthen, and should have been first originated by a Resolution in a Committee of the Whole.

Whereupon The House proceeded to take the same into consideration, and Mr. Speaker having been requested to give his opinion, stated: "With respect to the first objection, I have to say that there is no doubt that it is perfectly legitimate to make, in Committee, any amendment to a Clause, provided that it is relevant to the subject matter of a Bill, or pursuant to instructions; but if any such amendment shall not be within the title of the Bill, then the Committee must amend the title accordingly. As regards the second objection, I am of opinion that the Clause, if added to the Bill, will be actually restrictive of the

"expenditure of public money, and will not tend, in any way, to increase the public burthens, and my impression is that the amendment is in Order."

Then the House again resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, and amended the same. The said Bill was then reported, as amended, the amendments concurred in, and ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 93) to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole (and the Resolutions adopted in Committee of the Whole, on the 16th ult., in relation thereto, referred), amended, reported, the amendments concurred in, and ordered for a third reading, to-morrow.

The amendments made by the Senate to the following two Bills, were severally taken into consideration, and agreed to, *viz* :—

No. 67. To amend and consolidate the several Acts respecting Insurance, in so far as regards Fire and Inland Marine business.

No. 78. Respecting Life Insurance Companies, and Companies doing any Insurance business, other than Fire and Inland Marine.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed, *viz* :—

No. 125. To repeal an Act of the Legislature of the Province of Prince Edward Island, for the collection of the Cape Race Light-House Toll.

No. 126. To amend the Act 33 *Vict.*, Cap. 14, respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill [No. 35] respecting Penitentiaries and the Inspection thereof, and for other purposes, were taken into consideration.

On motion of Mr. *Fournier*, the said amendments were amended, as follows :—In Clause A in line 19, the word "five" was struck out, and the word "eight" inserted instead.—In line 22 the word "six" was struck out, and the word "eight" inserted instead; and after the word "Penitentiary" of the said Clause, the following words were added :—"or whenever the building to be contracted for a Joint Penitentiary for the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island shall be completed, and the Governor in Council shall have declared by Proclamation, to be published in the "Canada Gazette," that such building and any tract of land within either of the said Provinces shall upon, from, and after a day named in such Proclamation, be a Penitentiary, and shall be so held within the meaning of any Act then in force relating to Penitentiaries."

The amendments, as amended, being read a second time, were agreed to.

On motion of Mr. *Fournier*, a Message was sent to the Senate, to acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their amendments to the foregoing Bill, *with amendments*, to which their concurrence.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, read a third time and passed, *viz* :—

No. 124. To amend the provisions of "An Act to amend the Criminal Law relating to Violence, Threats and Molestation."

No. 121. To amend "The Fisheries Act." [*amended*].

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill (No. 11) to amend and consolidate the Statute Law for the regulation of the Postal Service, were taken into consideration, and agreed to.

The House resumed the further consideration on Resolution 168—Salaries and expenses of the Council for the North-West Territories, and Miscellaneous expenses in the North-West not otherwise provided for, as reported from the Committee of Supply on the 3rd ultimo.

And the said Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

The following Orders of the Day were severally discharged, and the Bills withdrawn, *viz* :—

House in Committee on Bill (No. 119) to amend an Act to amend and continue the Act 32 & 33 *Vict.*, Cap 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba.

Second Reading of Bill (No. 117) to amend the Acts 36 *Vict.*, Cap 9, & 37 *Vict.*, Cap 34, respecting the appointment of Harbor Masters.

Second Reading of Bill (No. 119) to remove certain difficulties in the Administration of the Criminal Law.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply on the 30th ultimo, were reported, and are as follows :—

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

187. Circuit allowances, British Columbia.....	\$5,000 00
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POLICE.

MOUNTED POLICE.

North-West.

188.	{	Cost of organization in excess of estimate.....	27,045 50	
		Transport of Police and stores, and disbursements of officers in organization of force.....	19,080 43	
		Value of stores sent to Swan River.....	26,007 56	
		Transport of stores sent to Swan River.....	18,459 58	
		Balance awarded contractor for fitting up barracks at Lower Fort Garry.....	2,317 64	
		Pay of guides and ox-drivers.....	4,000 00	
		Erection of winter quarters at Rocky Mountains.....	25,000 00	
		Unforeseen expenses in consequence of return of a portion of the force to Manitoba for the winter.....	5,000 00	
		<hr/>	126,910 71	

PENITENTIARIES.

189.	Maintenance of prisoners, Manitoba, British Columbia and Prince Edward Island (additional).....	15,000 00
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St. Vincent de Paul.

190.	{	Unexpended balance of 1873-74 (revote).....	7,714 74	
		To pay for the erection of eight tenements, to be occupied as dwellings by the guards.....	3,500 00	
		To cover cost of water works at the above Penitentiary.....	9,890 73	
				21,105 47

LEGISLATION.

191.	Library of Parliament (additional).....	2,000 00	
192.	To pay for printing of Criminal Laws.....	4,400 00	
194.	Towards purchase of Ballot Boxes.....	2,250 00	
195.	To pay salaries of Draughtsmen and other expenses in connection with the preparation of Maps for the Railway Committee under the supervision of the Clerk of The House.....	3,680 00	
		<hr/>	16,330 00

IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.

196.	Unexpended balance of 1873-4 (revote).....	15,644 54
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PENSIONS.

197.	To pay E. Duckett, late Customs Officer, Halifax, in fulfilment of an agreement made by the Government of Nova Scotia prior to Confederation.....	250 00
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MILITIA.

198. Ammunition (revote).....	20,000 00	
199. Clothing do	75,000 00	
200. Military stores do	50,000 00	
201. Drill sheds and rifle ranges.....	5,000 00	
202. Pay, maintenance, and equipment of A. and B. Batteries of Garrison Artillery, and Schools of Gunnery at Kingston and Quebec.....	15,000 00	
	<hr/>	165,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

Public Buildings.

203.	Barracks at Fort Pelly.....	30,000 00
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Dredge Vessels.

204.	To pay for dredge vessel taken from Prince Edward Island Government, in accordance with terms of union.....	22,000 00	
		<hr/>	52,000 00

OCEAN AND RIVER STEAM AND PACKET SERVICE.

DOMINION STEAMERS.

205. To provide for additional amount required for repairs of steamers "Napoleon III" and "Sir James Douglas,".....	25,000 00
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MAIL SUBSIDIES.

206. For steam communication with the Magdalen Islands (for a part of the season of navigation).....	3,000 00
207. For winter steam service between Prince Edward Island and the Mainland.....	10,000 00
208. For steam service between Nova Scotia and Newfoundland.....	5,000 00
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	43,000 00

LIGHT-HOUSES AND COAST SERVICE.

209. Construction of light-houses, unexpended balance of 1873-74 (revote)...		43,351 58
210. { Additional amount required for repairs to Red Island lightship.....	15,000 00	
{ Extra allowance to staff at Signal Station, Halifax.....	238 00	
	<hr/>	15,238 00

FISHERIES.

211. { Ontario, fishery overseers.....	500 00	
{ Quebec, do	800 00	
{ Nova Scotia do	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	2,300 00
212. Fish breeding (additional).....		3,000 00

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY AND OBSERVATORIES.

213. Geological survey, unexpended balance of 1873-74.....	5,207 60	
214. To pay for altering and improving of apparatus for observatory, Quebec.....	500 00	
	<hr/>	5,707 60

INDIANS.

215. To relieve such cases of distress as may be reported as existing among the Indians of Lake St. John and of the Saguenay District below Lake St. John.....	200 00	
216. To meet cost of conveying men and provisions from Fort Garry to the Northwest angle of the Lake of the Woods, when negotiating Treaty No. 3.....	3,631 57	
217. To pay the cost of Messengers to the Blackfoot and Plain Cree Indians...	2,548 02	
218. To pay first payment to such Indians as were absent when Treaty No. 4 was negotiated, and to provide them with presents and seed grain in accordance with the Treaty.....	6,000 00	
	<hr/>	12,399 59

BOUNDARY SURVEYS.

219. To provide one half of the British share of the expenditure on survey of the boundary line between Canada and the United States (part revote).....	150,000 00	
220. Unexpended balance of 1873-74 for survey of boundary between Ontario and the North-West.....	21,692 40	
	<hr/>	171,692 40

MISCELLANEOUS.

221. Canada Gazette (additional).....	850 00	
222. Miscellaneous Printing (do).....	1,500 00	
223. To pay to R. S. M. Bouchette for himself and the other heirs of the late Joseph Bouchette, Esq., in accordance with the Report of a Committee of the House of Commons on the 14th May, 1873.....	4,000 00	
224. To pay a gratuity to Mrs. Catherine Todd, widow of the late Alfred Todd, for forty years in the employ of the Canadian Legislative Assembly and House of Commons, in recognition of the long and faithful services of her deceased husband.....	1,000 00	
225. Unexpended balance of 1873-74 of Vote for expenses of Removal of Depreciated Coin, Province of Nova Scotia.....	31,764 09	
226. Unexpended balance of 1873-74 of Vote for Compensation for losses to sufferers in the North-West Territory.....	656 55	

227. To pay to the Municipalities of Lower Canada, who withdrew their capital prior to 30th June, 1874, the discount of 25 per cent. deducted from them.....	46,697 37	
228. To pay to the Hon. D. A. Smith, M.P., the sum of £600 advanced by him on the 6th February, 1872, together with interest thereon.....	3,562 50	
229. To pay the sum agreed to be paid to certain parties for services during the troubles in the North-West Territories.....	2,500 00	
		92,536

CHARGES ON REVENUE.

CULLING TIMBER.

230. { Salaries (additional).....	1,000 00	
{ Fees do	15,000 00	
{ Contingencies do	1,000 00	
		17,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS.

SLIDES AND BOOMS.

231. To pay for damages connected with slides and booms, Matlawaska River, Ottawa River District.....	5,576 00	
232. Additional for contingencies at agencies.....	600 00	
		6,176 00

RAILWAYS.

233. Compensation for accidents, Intercolonial Railway.....	2,000 00	
234. To pay for cost in connection with the change of gauge of Road, and for Rolling Stock.....	800,000 00	
		802,000 00

POST OFFICE.

235. { Ontario and Quebec (additional).....	50,000 00	
{ Nova Scotia do	4,000 00	
{ New Brunswick do	4,000 00	
		58,000 00
236. Unprovided items of 1873-74 (<i>vide</i> Public Accounts of 1873-74, part II., page 333).....		34,150 93

Resolutions 187 to 192 and 194 to 222, inclusive, being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

Resolution 223 being read a second time; it was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Baby.	Dymond,	Langlois,	Plumb,
Barthe,	Fiset.	Lanthier,	Pope,
Bertram,	Flesher,	Laurier,	Pouliot,
Biggar,	Fournier,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Pozer,
Blain,	Frèchette,	McDonald (<i>Cape-Breton</i>),	Richard,
Borron,	Galbraith.	MacDonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Robillard,
Bourassa,	Gaudet,	McDougall (<i>Three Rivers</i>),	Rochester,
Bowell.	Gill,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Rouleau,
Brouse,	Gilmor,	Mackenzie (<i>Montreal</i>),	Sinclair,
Burpee, (<i>St. John</i>)	Hagar.	MacLennan,	Stirton,
Cartwright.	Haggart.	McIntyre,	St. Jean,
Casey,	Harwood,	Masson,	Taschereau,
Casgrain,	Higinbotham,	Metcalfé,	Thibaudeau,
Cauchon,	Holton,	Mitchell,	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Church,	Hurteau,	Moffat,	Thomson [<i>Welland</i>],
Cimon,	Irving,	Monteith.	Tremblay,
Cockburn,	Jetté,	Montplaisir,	Tupper,
Costigan,	Jodoin,	Murray,	Vail,
Coupal,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Orton,	White.
Cunningham,	Kerr,	Ouimet,	Wilkes,
Cuthbert,	Killam,	Paterson,	Wood,
Delorme,	Laflamme.	Perry,	Wright [<i>Ottawa</i>],
Desjardins,	Laird,	Pickard,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>).—95.
Donahue,	Landerkin,	Pinsonneault,	

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Fleming,	McCallum,	Ryan,
Archibald,	Forbes,	McCraney,	Rymal,
Bain,	Gibson,	McLeod,	Scatcherd,
Blackburn,	Gillies,	McQuade,	Schultz,
Blake,	Gordon,	Mills,	Skinner,
Bowman,	Goudge,	Moss,	Smith (<i>Sellkirk</i>),
Brown,	Horton,	Norris,	Snider,
Burk,	Kirk,	Oliver,	Thompson (<i>Halimand</i>),
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Platt,	Trow,
Davies,	McDougall (<i>Renfrew</i>),	Ross [<i>Durham</i>],	Wallace (<i>Albert</i>),
De Veber,	McKay (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),	Wallace (<i>Norfolk</i>),
Farrow,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	Ross [<i>Prince Edward</i>],	Young.—50.
Ferris,	Macmillan,		

And The House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight;

FRIDAY, 2ND APRIL, 1875.

Resolutions 224 to 227, inclusive, being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

Resolution 228 being read a second time;

Mr. White moved, that the said Resolution providing \$3,562.50 to pay to Hon. D. A. Smith, M.P., the sum of £600, advanced by him on the 6th February, 1872, together with interest thereon, be not concurred in, the said £600 having been paid for a purpose of which this House cannot approve; which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Bain,	Gibson,	McQuade,	Ross (<i>Durham</i>),
Bowell,	Gordon,	Monfat,	Ross (<i>Prince Edward</i>),
Brouse,	Haggart,	Monteith,	Ryan,
Brown,	Kirk,	Orton,	Schultz,
Cuthbert,	Macmillan,	Platt,	White.
Farrow,	McCallum,	Plumb,	Wright (<i>Ottawa</i>).—27.
Ferguson,	McCraney,	Rochester,	

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Desjardins,	Kerr,	Paterson,
Barthe,	De Veber,	Laird,	Pickard,
Bertram,	Dymond,	Lajoie,	Pouliot,
Biggar,	Ferris,	Landerkin,	Pozar,
Blackburn,	Fleming,	Langlois,	Richard,
Blain,	Fletcher,	Laurier,	Robilland,
Blake,	Forbes,	Macdonald (<i>Kings co.</i>),	Ross [<i>Middlesex</i>],
Borron,	Fournier,	McDonald (<i>Cape Breton</i>),	Scatcherd,
Bourassa,	Fréchette,	MacDonnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Skinner,
Bowman,	Gallbraith,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Snider,
Baell,	Gill,	McDougall (<i>Three Rivers</i>),	Stirton,
Burk,	Gillies,	McKay [<i>Cape Breton</i>],	St. Jean,
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Gillmor,	Mackenzie [<i>Lambton</i>],	Taschereau,
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Hagar,	MacLennan,	Thibaudeau,
Cartwright,	Higinbotham,	McLeod,	Thompson [<i>Midland</i>],
Casgrain,	Holton,	Masson,	Thomson [<i>Wentland</i>],
Cauchon,	Horton,	Metcalfe,	Tremblay,
Cimon,	Hurteau,	Mills,	Trow,
Cockburn,	Irving,	Mitchell,	Tupper,
Cupal,	Jetté,	Mousseau,	Vail,
Davies,	Jodoin,	Murray,	Wallace (<i>Albert</i>),
DeCosmos,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Norris,	Wallace (<i>Norfolk</i>).—39.
Delorme,			

The said Resolution was then agreed to.

Resolutions 229 to 236, inclusive, being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

The Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, yesterday, were reported, read a second time, and agreed to, and are as follows:—

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

237. Law Books for Supreme Court..... \$3,000 00

LEGISLATION.

238. To provide for cost of Ballot Boxes..... 4,000 00

ARTS, AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS.

239. To provide for further amount estimated to be required in connection with the Philadelphia Exhibition..... 60,000 00

PENSIONS.

240. To pay to E. Duckett, late Customs Officer, Halifax, in fulfilment of an agreement made by the Government of Nova Scotia prior to Confederation 250 00

MILITIA.

241. Drill Sheds..... 30,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS, CHARGEABLE TO INCOME.

IMPROVEMENT OF NAVIGABLE RIVERS.

242. { River Detroit, removal of rocks..... 5,000 00
Napanee River (Local authorities contributing proportionate sum)..... 7,500 00
Improvement of channel between Tusket Island and Main Land, Nova Scotia..... 500 00

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

243. To aid in building bridge at Winnipeg..... 25,000 00

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Ontario.

244. { Toronto Savings Bank and Inland Revenue Office..... 5,000 00
Marine Hospital, St. Catharines..... 2,000 00
Post Office, Ottawa..... 8,000 00
15,000 00

** Nova Scotia.*

245. Marine Hospital, Arichat, C.B..... \$1,000 00

Prince Edward Island.

246. Marine Hospital, Souris..... 2,000 00
247. Arbitrations and Awards (additional)..... 5,000 00
248. Rents, Repairs, Furniture and Heating (additional)..... 12,000 00

HARBOURS AND BREAKWATERS.

Quebec.

249. { Baie St. Paul, extension to low water..... 8,000 00
Saguenay River, Bagotville..... 2,000 00
Malbaie, extension of breakwater..... 8,000 00
Eboulements do do 7,500 00
Rivière Blanche, partial renewal of breakwater..... 2,000 00
27,500 00

Ontario.

250. { Toronto Harbour..... 20,000 00
Port Elgin, Lake Huron (Local authorities furnishing an equal sum) 5,000 00
Oshawa..... 5,000 00
30,000 00

New Brunswick.

251.	{ Grand Anse, Baie des Chaleurs (Local authorities contributing an equal sum).....	3,000 00	<hr/> 14,600 00
	{ Campo Bello (Local authorities to furnish \$1,000).....	600 00	
	{ Shippegan.....	11,000 00	

Nova Scotia.

252.	{ Margaree.....	3,000 00	<hr/> 91,000 00
	{ Harbourville.....	2,000 00	
	{ Broad Cove, Lunenburg Co., breakwater (any further sum required to be furnished by Local authorities).....	3,000 00	
	{ Margaretville.....	5,000 00	
	{ Oyster Pond, Chedabucto Bay (Local authorities contributing an equal sum).....	2,000 00	
	{ Cow Bay Breakwater (to be purchased).....	25,000 00	
	{ Breakwater between Michaud and Mark Points, Richmond County, C.E.	10,000 00	
	{ Cranberry Head (Local authorities contributing an equal sum).....	2,000 00	
	{ South Ingomish, C. B.....	35,000 00	
	{ Church Point (Local authorities contributing an equal amount).....	2,000 00	
	{ Saulnierville, do do do do.....	2,000 00	

Prince Edward Island.

253.	Colville Bay (Souris).....	20,000 00
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SLIDES AND BOOMS.

254.	{ Ottawa River District, Dam at the Joachim Rapids.....	5,200 00	<hr/> 9,200 00
	{ St. Maurice River District, completion of Grandes Piles Dam.....	4,000 00	
255.	Dredge, tug, punts, &c., Victoria B. C.....	2,000 00	

OCEAN AND RIVER STEAM AND PACKET SERVICE.

MAIL SUBSIDIES.

256.	Steam communication with the Magdalen Island.....	4,200 00
257.	Winter service by steamer, between Prince Edward Island and the main land.....	15,000 00
258.	Steam communication between Nova Scotia and Newfoundland.....	5,000 00
259.	Steam service between Grand Manan Island, N. B., and the main land....	1,500 00
260.	To provide for the purchase of life boats (additional).....	3,000 00

DOMINION STEAMERS.

261.	To provide for purchase of two steamers for light-houses and fisheries services.....	\$85,000 00	<hr/> 133,700 00
262.	To provide for maintenance of above.....	20,000 00	

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY AND OBSERVATORIES.

263.	Towards providing telegraphic communication between Matane and Magdalen River, furnishing instruments and equipping stations.....	5,000 00
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INDIANS.

264.	To aid Indian schools where most required.....	2,000 00
265.	For the purchase of agricultural implements, seed and farming stock for the Sionx on Little Saskatchewan Reserve.....	5,000 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

266.	Canada Gazette (additional).....	850 00
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The Bill (No. 50) respecting the Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company, was read a third time and passed.

The Bill (No. 101) to change the name of the Mutual Insurance Company of Canada to "The Dominion Life Assurance Company," and to amend their Act of incorporation, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The House then adjourned at 1:20 A.M.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Schultz*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether Messrs. *Glass, Sefton & Co.*, Telegraph Contractors, have not completed twenty-three miles of Telegraph Line under their contract, and whether the Canadian Pacific Railway or any branch thereof has been located along or near the said line?

Mr. *Cuthbert*—On Saturday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY—Whether it is the intention of the Government to alienate the Ordnance Lands at Sorel otherwise than by sale at auction?

Mr. *Bourassa*—On Saturday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General for a statement of the number of persons appointed from the 7th of November, 1873, up to this date, by the Government of Canada to public offices in the Ministerial Department, in either House of Parliament, or elsewhere in any branch of the public service; the said statement to shew the degree of kindred or connection of each such person so appointed with any members of the Senate or House of Commons; by what member of the Senate or House of Commons such appointment was recommended; the place of residence, age and profession of each person so appointed, at the time of his appointment; together with the salary or emoluments attached to the office of each person so appointed, and whether such persons were or were not appointed to permanent offices.

Mr. *Blain*—On the motion for the Third Reading of Bill No. 123—That the said Bill be not now read a third time but be referred back to Committee of the Whole with instructions to insert as a sixth clause to the said Bill the following:—

That any person who pays or causes to be paid to any Railway Company, or tenders to such Company or any duly constituted agent or servant of the Company appointed for such purpose, the regular fare from any one point to any other point or points on the said Railway for any class of ticket shall be entitled to a seat in a car of the class for which he shall have so paid or tendered; and the conductor or person in charge of the train shall not be entitled to demand production of the ticket or payment of the fare until such person shall have obtained or been enabled to obtain a seat in the class of car designated by the ticket or for which the payment or tender was made.

No. 42.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 2ND APRIL, 1875.

Six Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *James K. Millar* and others, of the City of Toronto, County of York, Ontario; of *William McMullen* and others, of the Township of Ross, County of Renfrew; of the Reverend *Thomas Crews* and others, of the Township of North Dorchester, County of Middlesex; and of *Albert Duncan* and others, of Moore, Starna and Enskillen, County of Lambton; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Smith [Westmoreland] presented the following Returns to Addresses of the 15th ultimo respectively, viz.:—For all correspondence with Boards of Trade or other parties, Minutes of Council, reports and papers, in relation to the effect of an Act entitled "*An Act respecting Pilotage*," having reference to the effect upon Trade and Navigation of the said Law, as effects collisions and the responsibility of pilots and owners of vessels in such cases.

For copies of instructions given to Collectors of Customs in Ontario, to collect Montreal Harbour Dues on all freight landed at the Port of Montreal; also a statement of the rate of Dues so levied, and the principle on which they are computed.

For all Papers, Despatches, Minutes of Council, and correspondence had with Her Majesty's Government in relation to the Legislation which was under the consideration of the Imperial Parliament in relation to British Merchant shipping from 1871 to the end of 1874, in connection with the so-called *Plimsoll* movement; also in connection with the proposed Legislative measure in relation to merchant shipping at present proposed by Her Majesty's Government; also, all papers, Minutes of Council, and despatches had between the Government of Canada and Her Majesty's Government, protesting against any Legislation being had by the Imperial Parliament which would effect Canadian shipping.

Mr. Ross (Middlesex), from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament, presented the twelfth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee having carefully examined the following documents, recommend that they be printed, viz:—

Return to Address, shewing the number of pieces of square timber, &c., exported from the Counties of Chicoutimi and Saguenay from the month of April, 1874, up to this date, &c. (Sessional Papers only.)

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Government and the Spring Hill Mining Company, &c.

Return to Address, shewing the quantity and value of Salt, Coal, Coke, Wheat, Corn and other grains, &c., exported from and imported into the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, &c. (Sessional Papers only.)

Return to Address, shewing the amount expended by the several Local Governments on all Harbors, Piers and Breakwaters in the Dominion, &c.

Return to Address, shewing the sums expended on Capital Account, &c., in the construction of Slides, Dams, Piers, &c., on the Ottawa River. [In Sessional Papers only.]

Return to Address,—Correspondence, &c., between the Government and the proprietors of lands in the vicinity of the proposed enlargement of the Lachine Canal. (In Sessional Papers only.)

Supplementary Return to Address,—Papers in connection with the negotiations with the Government of the United States for a Treaty of Commercial Reciprocity.

Return to Address,—Correspondence, &c., connected with the sale of certain Ordnance Lands at Fredericton, N.B., to the Fredericton Branch Railroad Company, or to *Temple* and *Burpee*, or other parties, &c.

First Report of the Standing Committee, House of Commons, on Immigration and Colonization.

Third Report of the Standing Committee, House of Commons, on Public Accounts.

The Committee also recommend that the following documents *be not printed, viz*:—

Return to Address relating to special rates granted for freight on the Intercolonial Railway, &c.

Return to Address,—Correspondence connected with the contract for supplies to the Intercolonial Railroad, of cars, trucks, &c.

Return to Address,—Copy of the Bill passed by the Legislature of Quebec, intituled: “An Act to divide in three parts the Registry Division of Montreal.”

Return to Address,—Estimates and Reports of the Engineers in charge of the Welland Canal, showing the cost of removing the rock bottom at *Raney's Bend*.

Supplementary Return to Address for copy of the Contract entered into between *James King*, Esq., of Halifax, N.S., and the Government, for the purpose of running a steamer between Georgetown, P.E.I., and Pictou, N.S.

Return to Address,—Correspondence, &c., relative to the proposed erection of a Marine Hospital at Sydney, C.B.

Return to Address,—Statement of Receipts from Customs and Excise for the months of May and October, 1874.

Return to Address,—Copy of the Report of Mr. *Perley*, C.E., on the enlargement of St. Peter's Canal.

Return to Address,—Correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Prince Edward Island Government, relative to the construction of the Prince Edward Island Railroad.

Return to Address, relative to the appointments to, and resignations or dismissals from office, in the County of Lunenburg, Nova Scotia.

Return to Address for a full and complete return of all dismissals from and appointments to the Civil Service in Prince Edward Island.

Return to Address,—Correspondence, &c., in relation to aiding the Chatham Branch Railway.

The Committee having re-considered the recommendation as made in their tenth Report, “That the Lists of the Shareholders of the several Banks of the Dominion of Canada, made in compliance with the Act 34 *Vic.*, cap. 5, sec. 12, *be not printed*,” they beg now respectfully to recommend that they *be printed* for the use of Members.

The Committee also recommend that an addition of \$200 be made to the salary of the Distributor, and of \$150 to that of the Assistant Distributor.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), the said Report was concurred in.

Mr. *Young*, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented as their fifth Report,—the Report of their Sub-Committee appointed to enquire into certain expenditures in connection with the Canadian Pacific Railway Surveys, and with all disbursements of the late Accountant, Mr. *Wallace*, and others; together with the evidence taken by them.

(For the said Report and Evidence, see Appendix to the Journals.)

Mr. *Young*, from the same Committee, also presented as their sixth Report,—a paper on the statement of Affairs and Balance Sheet of the Dominion, as shown in the Public Accounts, prepared by their Chairman, and adopted by the Committee.

(For the said statement of Affairs, etc., see Appendix to the Journals.)

Mr. *Young*, from the same Committee, further presented as their seventh Report,—the Report of their Sub-Committee appointed to enquire into all such items of the Public Accounts, preceding the year 1873-74, as refer to the purchase of Middle Island for a Quarantine Station; the purchase of Custom Houses, and repairs of the same, at Chatham and at Newcastle;—also the purchase of a Shipyard and Wharf at Newcastle; a Lightship for Halifax Harbor, and Marine Supplies, together with the evidence taken by them, and papers relating to the Halifax Lightship.

(For the said Report and evidence, see Appendix to the Journals.)

Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex), from the Select Committee, appointed to make all necessary arrangements concerning the publication of the Debates for the next Session, presented a Report, which is as follows:—

That they have made arrangements with Mr. *A. M. Burgess* for the reporting, editing and revising the proofs of the speeches, and indexing the same, for \$5,000 *per Session*.

They have made arrangements with the Parliamentary Printers, Messrs. *Mc Lean* and *Roger*, to perform the printing at 40 cents per M Ems Composition, 18 cents a Token for Presswork, 25 cents for folding and stitching, and 10 cents for folding per 100 sheets.

In the English Edition, the speeches will be *printed* in the language in which they are *spoken*.

In the French Edition, the *English speeches* will be *translated* into *French*, for which purpose it is contemplated to make satisfactory arrangements with the official translators of The House.

They have made arrangements that after each daily distribution of the printed sheets, 24 hours will be allowed the Members to make corrections of verbal errors in their speeches before the edition for binding is struck off; that it may be as correct as possible, such corrections to be made through the Chief Reporter.

On motion of Mr. *Ross* (Middlesex) the said Report was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. *Macdonald* (Glengarry), an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to authorize the Postmaster-General to make arrangements with all Proprietors of Newspapers and Periodicals published in Canada, who may apply for the transmission thereof by Post, during such period prior to the 1st October next, as may be agreed upon, at the rates of postage and on the conditions, at and on which, under the Bill in that behalf now awaiting His Excellency's sanction, they will be transmissible on and after the said 1st day of October next; assuring His Excellency that this House will concur in any measure that may be requisite for making good any expenditure or loss of revenue involved in such arrangements.

On motion of Mr. *Desjardins*, the fee on Bill (No. 51) to incorporate the St. Lawrence Bridge Company, was ordered to be refunded, inasmuch as the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, to which the said Bill was referred, have not reported on the same.

The following Bills were severally read a third time and passed, *viz.* :—

No. 123. Further to amend the General Act respecting Railways.

No. 93. To amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 5) to prevent Enlistment in the service of any Foreign State, in certain cases not provided for by the Foreign Enlistment Act, 1870, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The House went into Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In Committee.*)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

1. *Resolved*,—That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the financial year ending 30th June, 1875, the sum of \$1,779,787.36 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

2. *Resolved*,—That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the financial year ending 30th June, 1876, the sum of \$27,117,107.70 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to,—and Committee to sit again, to-morrow.

Mr. *Curtwright* then introduced a Bill [No. 130] for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1875, and the 30th June, 1876; and for other purposes relating to the Public Service.—Second reading to-morrow.

The Bill (No. 128) to amend the Act for the repeal of the Export Duty on Stave Bolts and Oak Logs, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Huntington* presented,—Return to Address of the 15th ultimo; for copies of correspondence which may have taken place between the Dominion Government and the Government of Prince Edward Island, with respect to the Land Purchase Act, 1874, passed by the Legislature of the Province of Prince Edward Island in 1874; also, Lord *Carnarvon's* Despatch on the same subject.

And,—Return to Address of the 17th ultimo; for copies of all correspondence between the Canadian Government, and the Government of the Province of Quebec, on the subject of Railway connections between the Eastern terminus of the Canada Pacific Railway, and the Province of Quebec.

The Bill (No. 127) to continue for a limited time the Acts therein mentioned, was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The Bill (No. 122) to amend the Act passed in the 32nd and 33rd year of Her Majesty's reign, chaptered 21, and intituled: "An Act respecting Larceny and other similar offences," was read the second time, considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, read a third time, and passed.

The following Orders of the Day were severally discharged, *viz.*:—

Receiving Report of Committee of the Whole on certain Resolutions to increase the salaries of the Civil Service of Canada, as provided in the Act respecting the Civil Service of Canada.

Second reading of Bill (No. 74) respecting the Civil Service of Canada, *and Bill withdrawn.*

House in Committee on Bill (No. 120) to amend the Law relating to Criminal Procedure, *and Bill withdrawn.*

Further consideration of Mr. *Orton's* proposed motion for the appointment of a Select Committee on the Agricultural Interests of the Dominion.

The House resumed the further consideration of Mr. *Tupper's* proposed motion, for an Address to His Excellency, for copies of all specifications and contracts for any portion of a Canadian Pacific Railway Telegraph; with all correspondence relating thereto,—and on the motion of Mr. *Bowell* in amendment thereto,—and which amendment was: "That the said motion be amended, by adding thereto the following words—and this House regrets, that contracts have been made by the Government for the construction of the line of Telegraph from Lake Superior to Cash Creek, before the location of the line of the Canadian Pacific Railway has been determined upon."

And the question being put on the said proposed amendment;

Mr. *Kirkpatrick* moved to add thereto the following words:—"contrary to the Statute authorizing the construction of said Telegraph line; and therefore this House does not approve of said contracts;" which was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Baby,	Farrow,	Macdonald (<i>Kingston</i>),	Platt,
Bowell,	Ferguson,	McDonald (<i>Cape-Breton</i>),	Plumb,
Cameron (<i>Cardwell</i>),	Flesher,	Macmillan,	Pope,
Caron,	Gaudet,	McCallum,	Robitaille,
Cimon,	Gill,	Masson,	Rouleau,
Colby,	Haggart,	Mitchell,	Ryan,
Coupal,	Harwood,	Monteith,	Stephenson,
Currier,	Hurteau,	Montplaisir,	Thompson (<i>Cariboo</i>),
Cuthbert,	Jones (<i>Leeds</i>),	Mousseau,	Tupper,
DeCosmos,	Kirkpatrick,	Orton,	Wallace (<i>Norfolk</i>),
Deajardins,	Lanthier,	Quimet,	White.
Dugas,	Little,	Palmer,	Wright (<i>Pontiac</i>).—48.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Appleby,	Cockburn,	Kerr,	Pozer,
Archibald,	Coffin,	Kirk,	Ray,
Bain,	Cunningham,	Lafamme,	Richard,
Barthe,	De St. Georges,	Laird,	Robillard,
Béchar,	Dewdney,	Lajoie,	Ross [<i>Durham</i>],
Bertram,	Donahue,	Landerkin,	Ross (<i>Middlesex</i>),
Biggar,	Dymond,	Laurier,	Ross [<i>Prince Edward</i>],
Blackburn,	Fiset,	Macdonald [<i>Cornwall</i>],	Scatcherd,
Blain,	Fleming,	Macdonald (<i>Glengarry</i>),	Sinclair,
Borron,	Fournier,	MacDunnell (<i>Inverness</i>),	Skinner,
Bourassa,	Fréchette,	Macdougall (<i>Elgin</i>),	Smith (<i>Peel</i>),
Bowman,	Galbraith,	McKay (<i>Colchester</i>),	Smith [<i>Westmoreland</i>],
Brouse,	Gibson,	Mackenzie (<i>Lambton</i>),	Snider,
Brown,	Gillies,	Mackenzie (<i>Montreal</i>),	Stirton,
Buell,	Gillmor,	McLeod,	Taschereau,
Buuster,	Gordon,	Metcalf,	Thibaudeau,
Burk,	Goudge,	Moffat,	Thompson [<i>Haldimand</i>],
Burpee (<i>St. John</i>),	Hagar,	Murray,	Thomson [<i>Welland</i>],
Burpee (<i>Sunbury</i>),	Hall,	Norris,	Tremblay,
Cameron (<i>Ontario</i>),	Higinbotham,	Oliver,	Trow,
Cartwright,	Holton,	Paterson,	Vail,
Casey,	Horton,	Pelletier,	Wallace (<i>Albert</i>),
Casgrain,	Huntington,	Perry,	Wilkes,
Cauchon,	Irving,	Pickard,	Wood,
Cheval,	Jodoin,	Poillot,	Young.—101.
Church,			

The question being then put on the said proposed amendment; it was negatived on the same division.

The main motion was then agreed to, and the Address ordered accordingly.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill [No. 45] for the prevention of accidents, entailing loss of life in Breweries and Distilleries, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The House went again into Committee of the Whole, to consider as to measures best calculated to diminish the evils of intemperance; and after some time spent therein,—and it being 6 o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, to adjourn The House until half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

7.30 P. M.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz.:*—
 No. 111. To extend to the Province of British Columbia, the Dominion Lands Act.
 No. 109. Respecting conflicting claims to lands of occupants in Manitoba.
 No. 54. Relating to interest and Usury in the Province of New Brunswick.
 No. 18. To amend the Acts respecting Controverted Elections.
 No. 19. For suppressing Gaming Houses, and to punish the keepers thereof.

Also,—agreeing to the amendments made by this House to the Bill (No. 100) of their own, intituled: “An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Canada Car and Manufacturing Company,” *without any amendment.*

Also,—agreeing to the following Bills, *with amendments, viz.:*—

No. 21. To amend the Law relating to Bills of Exchange.

No. 77. To compel persons delivering merchantable liquids in casks, to mark on such casks the capacity thereof.

No. 36. To incorporate The Royal Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada. (On motion of Mr. Jette, the said amendments were concurred in).

No. 113. Further to amend “The Pilotage Act, 1873.” (On motion of Mr. Smith (Westmoreland), the said amendments were read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow).

The Order of the Day, for the House to go into Committee of the Whole on the Bill [No. 129] from the Senate, intituled: “An Act to incorporate the Canadian Lumber and Timber Association of Ontario and Quebec,” being read;

On motion of Mr. Holton, the said Order was discharged, and the Bill again referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The House went again into Committee of the Whole, to consider as to measures best calculated to diminish the evils of intemperance.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was proposed:—

Resolved, That having regard to the beneficial effect arising from Prohibitory Liquor Laws in those States of the American Union, where the same are fully carried out, this House is of the opinion, that the most effectual remedy for the evils of intemperance would be, to prohibit the manufacture, importation, and sale of intoxicating liquors.

Mr. *Bowell* proposed, that the following be added to the said Resolution:—“and that it is the duty of the Government to prepare a measure, at as early a day as possible, to carry the principle of prohibition into effect.”

On which the Committee divided:—

Yeas, 9,
 Nays, 72.

The proposed Resolution was then adopted, and reported.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) moved, that The House do now adjourn; which was agreed to.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
 Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *DeCosmos*—On Monday next—That it is advisable that the Government should reserve to itself the exclusive right to issue Life Insurance Policies, and that such right should be exercised as soon as the sanction of Parliament shall have been obtained.

Mr. *Wilkes*—On Monday next—That the evidence taken before the sub-committee of the Committee on Public Accounts, concerning certain expenditures on the Canadian Pacific Railway Survey, be printed.

No. 43.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 2ND APRIL, 1875.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 3RD APRIL, 1875.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Statement of receipts and disbursements of The Mutual Life Association of Canada, for the year ending, 31st December, 1874.

One Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table.

The Petition of *J. A. F. McBain*, and others, of Drummondville and vicinity, County of Welland, was read and received; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), it was *Resolved*, That Mr. Speaker be directed to instruct the Accountant to pay the full indemnity to the Members of Prince Edward Island, who were unavoidably detained in crossing the Straits by stress of weather: and one Member who was disabled in the attempt to do so.

Resolved, That when Mr. Speaker leaves the Chair at 6 o'clock, P.M., this day, The House do stand adjourned, until Monday next.

Mr. *Holton*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the thirteenth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have, in obedience to the Order of The House, again considered the Bill [No. 129] from the Senate, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Lumber and Timber Association of Ontario and Quebec," and have agreed to report the same further amended.

On motion of Mr. *Holton*, The House then went into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill, which was reported as amended, the amendments concurred in, and the Bill read a third time, and passed.

Mr. *Fournier* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Seventh Annual Report of the Directors of Penitentiaries of the Dominion of Canada, for the year 1874.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the Bill [No. 17] to extend and amend the Law requiring Railway Companies to furnish Returns of their Capital, Traffic and Working Expenses, *with amendments*.

The amendments made by the Senate to the following two Bills, were taken into consideration, and concurred in, *viz* :—

No. 113. Further to amend "The Pilotage Act, 1873."

No. 77. To compel persons delivering merchantable liquids in casks, to mark on such casks the capacity thereof.

The Bill [No. 130] for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1875, and the 30th June, 1876; and for other purposes relating to the Public Service, was read the second time, and ordered for a third reading on Monday next.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), laid before The House,—The 14th and 15th Contracts, in connection with the Canadian Pacific Railway, for the Grading and Bridging from Red River to Lake of the Woods, containing Bills of Works, General Specifications, and conditions of Contract;—and for the Grading and Bridging from Fort William to Shebandowan, etc.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), it was *Resolved*, That The House do now ratify the contract, now on the Table, proposed to be entered into with Messrs. *Sifton* and *Ward*, for the construction of that portion of the Pacific Railway between Cross Lake and Red River, about 77 miles in length, at a cost of \$402,950; the said parties having been the lowest tenderers—willing to proceed with the work, and furnishing the required security.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), moved, that it be *Resolved*, That The House do now ratify the contract, now on the Table, proposed to be entered into with Messrs. *Sifton* and *Ward*, for that portion of the Pacific Railway, extending from Fort William to Shebandowan, a distance of about 45 miles, at a cost of \$406,194; the said parties having been the lowest tenderers—willing to proceed with the work, and furnishing the required security.

Mr. Tupper moved in amendment, that the consideration of the approval of the said contract be postponed until this day three months; which was negatived on a division.

Mr. *Mackenzie's* (Lambton), original motion was then agreed to, on a division.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), it was *Resolved*, That the Government be authorized to enter in to a contract during the recess with the parties sending in the lowest available tender, for the construction of that portion of the Pacific Railway extending from Rat Portage to Cross Lake, a distance of about 37 miles.

The amendments made by the Senate to the Bill (No. 21) to amend the Law relating to Bills of Exchange, were taken into consideration and concurred in.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill (No. 89) to make further provision respecting the constituting and management of Railway Societies in the Province of Quebec, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, The House resolved to go into Committee of the Whole, on Monday next, to consider the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That this House was pleased to learn from the despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, of date the 3rd September, 1873, that Her Majesty received very graciously the Address of this House passed in the same year on the subject of the Naturalization of Aliens, and begs respectfully to represent as follows :—

1st. That the extension of the Act passed in the 33rd year of Her Majesty's reign entitled: "The Naturalization Act of 1870," would not meet the just expectations of the Germans and other naturalized foreigners in Canada inasmuch as the passports granted under the said Act, although permanent, are expressly declared to be invalid in the Foreign State of which the persons naturalized were formerly subjects—the place of all others in which they desire to be protected in their acquired rights and privileges.

2nd. That by the Naturalization Act of 1870 aforesaid, it is provided that Great Britain will thereafter recognize and protect in any part of the world all persons legally naturalized as British subjects, provided they cease by the laws of their native State to be subjects thereof on changing their allegiance, or when a Treaty has been made between Great Britain and the said State to that effect.

3rd. That such a Treaty was negotiated between Great Britain and the United States of America in the year of Our Lord 1871, and a further and supplemental Treaty in the following year 1872, both of which are working satisfactorily.

4th. That a Treaty similar in character was negotiated between the United States of America and Germany, in the year of Our Lord 1868, and is now in operation.

5th. That it would promote the public interests and afford much satisfaction to Her Majesty's naturalized German subjects in Canada, if a Treaty under the provisions of the Naturalization Act of 1870, aforesaid, were entered into between Great Britain and the German States, so that such persons naturalized in Canada, after a residence therein of from three to five years (as may be agreed upon by the contracting Powers) may become entitled to all the rights, privileges and immunities of British subjects in any part of the world, and in as full a measure as if they had been subjects of Great Britain by birth.

6th. That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty setting forth the foregoing Resolutions.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz.:*—
No. 24. To incorporate the Pictou Coal and Iron Company.
No. 58. To incorporate the Canada Land Investment Guaranty Act. d

Also,—agreeing to the amendments made by this House to their amendments to the Bill (No. 35) respecting Penitentiaries and the inspection thereof, and for other purposes, *without any amendment*.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill (No. 8) to prevent cruelty to animals while in any way, or other means of conveyance within the Dominion of Canada, *with amendments*.

And it being 6 o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker adjourned The House, until Monday next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. *Bowell*--On Monday next--That the evidence taken before the Sub-Committee of the Committee on Public Accounts, concerning certain expenditures on the Canadian Pacific Railway Survey, be referred to the Printing Committee.

No. 44.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 5TH APRIL, 1875.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—Annual Report of the Beaver and Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Company, for the year 1874; together with a list of the Guarantee Stockholders of the said Company; and

General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the District of Ottawa, for the year 1874.

One Petition was brought up, and laid on the table.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of *George Mersereau* and others, of Blissfield, County of Northumberland, New Brunswick; of *George Blatchford* and others, of Hope, of the Municipal Council of the Township of Manvers, and of *R. Bancroft* and others of the Townships of Manvers and Cartwright, County of Durham; of *James T. Daley* and others, of Stouffville, County of York, Ontario; of *Levi Varney* and others, of Hallowell, County of Prince Edward, Ontario; and of *W. J. Walker*, and others, of the Township of Hamilton, County of Northumberland, Ontario; severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. *Fournier* laid before The House,—Copies of Orders in Council, relative to Acts of the Legislature of British Columbia:—1. An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws affecting Crown Lands in British Columbia; and 2. An Act to make provision for the better administration of Justice, and as to their disallowance.

(See Address voted on said subject on the 27th ult., page 274.)

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), presented,—Return to Address of the 15th ult; for a statement in detail of the several amounts paid out by the Government for work actually performed on Section 16 of the Inter-colonial Railway from the time the work was taken out of the hands of the Contractor until the present time; with the names of the parties to whom sums were paid, and the particular duties performed therefor; also, a statement in detail of any other sums (if any) which have been paid by the Government in relation to said section, from the time the said section was taken out of the Contractors hands up to the present time, stating in detail the grounds for paying the same, and whether the amounts so paid (if any) were sanctioned by the Contractor before payment, and if not, what steps were taken by the Government to ascertain the correctness of such payments.

Also, any report of the officer in charge of said work, or others, in relation to the completion and condition of said section when completed.

Also, a statement in detail of all qualities of all work performed in Earth, Rock and Masonry, on Section 16 of the Intercolonial Railway since that section was taken out of the hands of the Contractor; also copies of all Orders in Council, Reports to Council, Orders of Commissioners, orders of *Charles J. Brydges*, orders of *Mr. Collingwood Schreiber*, or other party connected with the completion of said work; and also in reference to the taking possession of the goods, houses, stables, plant and materials of the contractor.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz.:*—

No. 66. To legalize and confirm certain agreements made between the Niagara Falls International Bridge Company, the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company, and the Great Western Railway Company.

No. 102. To change the corporate name of the St. Lawrence Navigation Company (Steam); and to confer on it certain powers.

No. 94. To authorize "the Canada Southern Railway" to acquire the "Erie and Niagara Railway," and for other purposes.

Also,—informing this House, that upon the question for the passing of the Bill (No. 36) to incorporate the Royal Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada, with several amendments, a further amendment was adopted, whereby the title was made to read thus: "An Act to incorporate the Ottawa Royal Life Assurance Company of Canada," but by some mistake was left out, and request that the House of Commons will give leave, that the amendment so omitted be inserted in its place by the proper officer of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), it was *Resolved*, That leave be given to the proper officer of the Senate to make the amendment in the Bill (No. 36) to incorporate the Royal Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada, as desired by their Honors in their Message of this day.

Resolved, That the omitted amendment of the said last mentioned Bill, which is as follows:—after the word "The" insert the word "Ottawa," and leave out the word "Mutual," be now taken into consideration.

The said amendment was then taken into consideration, and concurred in.

The amendments made by the Senate to the following two Bills, were severally taken into consideration, and concurred in, *viz.:*—

No. 17. To extend and amend the Law requiring Railway Companies to furnish returns of their Capital, Traffic and Working Expenditure.

No. 8. To prevent cruelty to animals while in transit by Railway or other means of conveyance within the Dominion of Canada.

The following Orders of the Day, were severally discharged, and the Bills withdrawn, *viz.:*—

Resuming the adjourned Debate on Mr. *Irving's* proposed motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 9) to repeal an Act to amend the Criminal Law relating to Violence, Threats, and Molestation.

Second reading of Bill (No. 34) touching the true construction of the Act respecting enquiries concerning Public Matters.

The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution on which to found an Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of the Naturalization of Aliens.

(In Committee.)

The following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That this House was pleased to learn from the despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, of date the 3rd September, 1873, that Her Majesty received very graciously the Address of this House passed in the same year on the subject of the Naturalization of Aliens, and begs respectfully to represent as follows:—

1st. That the extension of the Act passed in the 33rd year of Her Majesty's reign entitled: "The Naturalization Act of 1870," would not meet the just expectations of the Germans and other naturalized foreigners in Canada, inasmuch as the passports granted under the said Act, although permanent, are expressly declared to be invalid in the Foreign State of which the persons naturalized were formerly subjects—the place of all others in which they desire to be protected in their acquired rights and privileges.

2nd. That by the Naturalization Act of 1870 aforesaid, it is provided that Great Britain will thereafter recognize and protect in any part of the world all persons legally naturalized as British subjects, provided they cease by the laws of their native State to be subjects thereof on changing their allegiance, or when a Treaty has been made between Great Britain and the said State to that effect.

3rd. That such a Treaty was negotiated between Great Britain and the United States of America in the year of Our Lord 1871, and a further and supplemental Treaty in the following year 1872, both of which are working satisfactorily.

4th. That a Treaty similar in character was negotiated between the United States of America and Germany, in the year of Our Lord 1868, and is now in operation.

5th. That it would promote the public interests and afford much satisfaction to Her Majesty's naturalized German subjects in Canada, if a Treaty under the provisions of the Naturalization Act of 1870, aforesaid, were

entered into between Great Britain and the German States, so that such persons naturalized in Canada, after a residence therein of from three to five years (as may be agreed upon by the contracting Powers) may become entitled to all the rights, privileges and immunities of British subjects in any part of the world, and in as full a measure as if they had been subjects of Great Britain by birth.

Resolution to be reported.

The said Resolution was accordingly reported, read a second time, and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, the said Resolution for an Address to Her Majesty the Queen, was referred to a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Young*, *Scatcherd*, *Archibald*, *Gillies*, *Trow* and *Bowell*.

Mr. *Young*, from the said Committee, then reported the draft of an Address, and the same being read a second time, was agreed to, and is as follows:—

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty :

Most Gracious Sovereign :

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of Canada, in Parliament assembled, humbly approach Your Majesty, for the purpose of representing:—

That this House was pleased to learn from the despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, of date the 3rd September, 1873, that Her Majesty received very graciously the Address of this House passed in the same year on the subject of the Naturalization of Aliens, and begs respectfully to represent as follows:—

That the extension of the Act passed in the 33rd year of Her Majesty's reign entitled: "The Naturalization Act of 1870," would not meet the just expectations of the Germans and other naturalized foreigners in Canada, inasmuch as the passports granted under the said Act, although permanent, are expressly declared to be invalid in the Foreign State of which the persons naturalized were formerly subjects—the place of all others in which they desire to be protected in their acquired rights and privileges.

That by the Naturalization Act of 1870 aforesaid, it is provided that Great Britain will thereafter recognize and protect in any part of the world all persons legally naturalized as British subjects, provided they cease by the laws of their native State to be subjects thereof on changing their allegiance, or when a Treaty has been made between Great Britain and the said State to that effect.

That such a Treaty was negotiated between Great Britain and the United States of America in the year of Our Lord 1871, and a further and supplemental Treaty in the following year 1872, both of which are working satisfactorily,

That a Treaty similar in character was negotiated between the United States of America and Germany, in the year of Our Lord 1868, and is now in operation

That it would promote the public interests and afford much satisfaction to Her Majesty's naturalized German subjects in Canada, if a Treaty under the provisions of the Naturalization Act of 1870, aforesaid, were entered into between Great Britain and the German States, so that such persons naturalized in Canada, after a residence therein of from three to five years (as may be agreed upon by the contracting Powers) may become entitled to all the rights, privileges and immunities of British subjects in any part of the world, and in as full a measure as if they had been subjects of Great Britain by birth.

We, therefore, humbly pray that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to take such steps as may be necessary for the negotiation of Naturalization Treaties between Great Britain and the German States, so that Your Majesty's naturalized German subjects in Canada, may after a residence herein of from three to five years (as may be agreed upon by the contracting Powers) become entitled to all the rights, privileges and immunities of British subjects in any part of the world, and in as full a measure as if they had been subjects of Great Britain by birth.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *Young*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor General; praying him to transmit the foregoing Address to Her Majesty, in such a way as His Excellency may deem fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed and presented to His Excellency, by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

The Bill (130) for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1875, and the 30th June, 1876; and for other purposes relating to the Public Service, was read a third time, and passed.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

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OTTAWA, TUESDAY, 6TH APRIL, 1875.

One Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table.

Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton) presented,—Return to Address of the 15th ult., for copies of all papers, documents, letters and correspondence, having reference to the selection of the site for the construction of a Graving Dock in the Port of Quebec;

And,—Return to Address of the 17th ult.; for a statement of Leases of Water Power made by the Department of Public Works between the Dominion Dam at the Whitefish and Kingston Mills on the Rideau Canal, both inclusive; Date of Lease or Leases; Time such Lease or Leases expire; Quantity of power rented and approximate power used during past year, under each Lease; with copy of Reports and papers, if any, submitted by the Superintendent Engineer of the Rideau Canal, during the past twelve months to the Department of Public Works, on this subject.

A Message was received from the Sénate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz:—*

No. 52. To incorporate a Company to construct a Railway from Red River, in the Province of Manitoba, to a point in British Columbia, on the Pacific Ocean.

No. 121. To amend *The Fisheries Act*.

No. 126. To amend an Act respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada.

No. 107. To extend certain provisions of *The Seamen's Act* of 1873 to vessels employed in navigating the Inland Waters of Canada.

No. 106. Respecting the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company.

No. 101. To change the name of the Mutual Insurance Company of Canada to the Dominion Mutual Life Assurance Society, and to amend their Act of incorporation.

Also, agreeing to the Bill (No. 29) respecting Insolvency, *with amendments*.

On motion of Mr. *Fournier*, the said amendments were taken into consideration.

The first to the fifth amendment, inclusive, being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

The sixth amendment being read a second time, as follows:—

Page 30, line 41.—Leave out “liable” to “But” in line 48, and insert “the said creditor shall be entitled to rank on the estate of all co-obligants for the full amount; but only to the effect of getting one hundred cents in the dollar.”

Mr. *Fournier* moved, that the amendment made to the Bill, by leaving out certain words on page 30, commencing at the word “liable” on line 41 to the word “But” in line 48, and inserting other words in the stead thereof, be disagreed to, for the reason that it is contrary to the spirit of the Act in other parts; which was agreed to.

The seventh and eighth amendments being read a second time, were severally agreed to.

The ninth amendment being read a second time, as follows:—

Page 40, line 2.—After “disqualified” insert “The Judge or the Assignee, as the case may be, shall also be disqualified by relationship by blood or marriage within the degree of cousin german to any litigant before him, and such disqualification may be enforced, and the matter in dispute tried, as provided by this section.”

Mr. *Fournier* moved, that the amendment made to the Bill on page 40 by adding certain words, after the word “disqualified” on line 2, be disagreed to, for the reason that it is wholly unnecessary—the Assignee having no duties to perform, which require such a restriction, and the rule as to Judges being sufficiently established by existing Law; which was agreed to.

The tenth amendment being read a second time, was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. *Fournier*, it was *Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the Senate to inform their Honors that this House hath agreed to all the amendments to the said Bill, except the sixth and ninth, to which they disagree for the reasons above set forth.

Mr. *Burpee* laid before The House—Copies of correspondence and accounts *in re* Duties refunded to the Great Western Railway Company.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

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OTTAWA, WEDNESDAY, 7TH APRIL, 1875.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of Bedford, for the year 1874,—and General Supplementary Statements, for the year 1873.

The Petition of *Adam Sherk* and others, of Sherkston, County of Welland, was read and received; praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment*, viz:—

No. 69. To incorporate the Dominion Railways Equipment Company.

No. 50. Respecting the Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company.

No. 128. To repeal the export duty on Stave Bolts and Oak Logs.

No. 84. To amend the Act 36 *Vict.*, Cap. 9, and 37 *Vict.*, Cap. 34, respecting the appointment of Harbor Masters.

No. 125. To repeal an Act of the Legislature of Prince Edward Island for the collection of the Cape Race Light House Toll.

No. 122. To amend the Act intituled: "An Act respecting Larceny and other similar offences."

No. 75. To authorize *Francois Xavier Galarneau* and *Magloire Cléophas Galarneau* to build and maintain a Toll-Bridge over the River L'Assomption, in the Province of Quebec.

Also,—that the Senate *do not insist* on their amendments made to the Bill (No. 29) respecting Insolvency, to which this House hath disagreed.

Also,—agreeing to the following Bills, *with amendments*, viz:—

No. 120. Respecting the Graving Dock in the Harbor of Quebec, and authorizing the raising of a loan in respect thereof.

No. 116. Respecting the Trinity House and Harbor Commissioners of Quebec.

No. 124. To amend the provisions of "An Act to amend the Criminal Laws relating to Violence, Threats, and Molestation."

No. 31. To establish a Supreme Court, and a Court of Exchequer for the Dominion of Canada. (On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie* (Lambton), the amendments made to the foregoing four Bills were taken into consideration, and concurred in.)

No. 103. To incorporate the Quebec and Lake Huron Direct Railway Company. (On motion of Mr. *Caron*, the amendments were taken into consideration, and concurred in.)

No. 70. To amend the Act to make better provision, extending to the whole Dominion of Canada, respecting the inspection of certain Staple Articles of Canadian Produce.—Amendments read first time.

Mr. *Huntington* presented,—Return to Address of the 13th May, 1874; for statement of all sums of money expended in 1870-'71-'72-'73 and '74, for the Militia Service, including the Mounted Police, either for payment of men, expenses attending Camps, or for clothing, ammunition, drill sheds, or other incidental and ordinary expenses of the Department in Ottawa.

Mr. *Smith* (Westmoreland) laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Seventh Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1874.

Mr. *Vail* laid before The House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Appendices Nos. 3 to 10 of Report on the State of the Militia of the Dominion of Canada, for the year 1874.

Mr. Speaker communicated to The House the following letter, which he had received :—

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
OTTAWA, 7th April, 1875.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you, that His Excellency the Governor General will proceed to the Senate Chamber to prorogue the Session of the Dominion Parliament on Thursday, the 8th instant, at 3 o'clock P. M.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

HARRY MOODY,
Governor General's Secretary.

The Honorable,
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *with amendments, viz* :—

No. 123. Further to amend the General Acts respecting Railways. (On motion of *Mr. Mackenzie* (Lambton), the amendments were taken into consideration, and concurred in.)

No. 13. To provide for the institution of Suits against the Crown by Petition of Right, and respecting procedure in Crown Suits. (On motion of *Mr. Irving*, the amendments were taken into consideration, and concurred in.)

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the following Bills, *without amendment, viz* :—

No. 130. For granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1875, and the 30th June, 1876; and for other purposes relating to the Public Service.

No. 93. To amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories.

No. 127. To continue for a limited time the Acts therein mentioned.

Also,—agreeing to the amendments made by this House to the Bill (No. 129) of their own, intituled : “An Act to incorporate the Ontario and Quebec Lumber and Timber Association,” *without any amendment*.

Also,—agreeing to the Bill (No. 85) to amend the Act Cap. 46 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled : “An Act respecting the culling of Timber,” *with amendments*. (On motion of *Mr. Mackenzie* (Lambton), the amendments were taken into consideration, and concurred in.)

On motion of *Mr. Mackenzie* (Lambton), it was *Resolved*, That when The House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned, until to-morrow at 2 P. M.

The House then adjourned.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Mr. *Tupper*—That the correspondence, Orders in Council, &c., laid on the Table of the House, connected with the refund of duties to the Great Western Railway Company and Canada Southern Railway Company, be printed.

Mr. *De Cosmos*—That the correspondence and Orders in Council laid on the Table, relative to the disallowance of the following Acts of the Legislature of British Columbia, viz: 1st. “An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws affecting Crown Lands in British Columbia;” 2nd. “An Act to make better provision for the administration of Justice,” be printed and published in the Sessional Papers.

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OTTAWA, THURSDAY, 8TH APRIL, 1875.

2 O'CLOCK P. M.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—The Account Current of the Accountant to the House of Commons of Canada, of the amount received and disbursed by him for Contingencies, from the 1st July, 1873, to the 30th June, 1874.

The Petition of Messrs. *John Ross & Co.*, Merchants, Ship owners and others, interested in the trade of the Port of Quebec, was read and received; praying for certain amendments to the Pilotage Act, 1873.

Mr. *Macdonald* (Glengarry) presented,—Return to Address of the 15th ult.; for a copy of instructions issued to the Postmaster in Cities, Towns and Villages, by the Postmaster General, under authority of section 42 of the Act 31 *Vict.*, Cap. 10, with reference to dutiable goods, brought into the Dominion through the Post Office.

A Message was received from the Senate, agreeing to the amendment made by this House to the Bill (No. 72) of their own, intituled: "An Act to amend the Interpretation Act, as respects the printing and distribution of the Statutes, and the territorial application of Acts, amending previous Acts," *without any amendment.*

A Message was received from His Excellency the Governor General, desiring the immediate attendance of The House in the Senate Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with The House, went to the Senate Chamber;—when His Excellency was pleased to give in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following Bills, *viz.* :—

An Act to amend "*The Interpretation Act*" as respects the printing and distribution of the Statutes, and the territorial application of Acts amending previous Acts.

An Act to repeal certain provisions of an Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia respecting petty offences, trespasses and assaults.

An Act to amend the Act providing for the organization of the Department of the Secretary of State of Canada.

An Act to amend the Acts for the better preservation of the peace in the vicinity of Public Works.

An Act to amend the Dominion Militia and Defence Acts.

An Act to incorporate the "*Banque Saint Jean Baptiste.*"

An Act to change the name of the "*Imperial Building, Savings and Investment Company,*" to that of the "*Imperial Loan and Investment Company.*"

An Act to make further provisions respecting the Central Prison for Ontario.

An Act to amend the Act respecting Procedure in criminal cases and other matters relating to Criminal Law.

An Act for the more speedy trial before Police and Stipendiary Magistrates in the Province of Ontario, of persons charged with Felonies or Misdemeanors.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Public Debt and the raising of Loans authorized by Parliament.

An Act to amend "The Immigration Act of 1872."

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Western Assurance Company and other Acts affecting the same, and to extend the powers of the said Company.

An Act further to amend the Acts regulating the issue of Dominion Notes.

An Act further to amend "An Act respecting the administration of justice and for the establishment of a Police Force in the North-West Territories."

An Act to incorporate "The *Intelligencer* Printing and Publishing Company."

An Act still further to amend "The Patent Act of 1872," and to extend the same, as amended, to Prince Edward Island.

An Act respecting defective Letters Patent and the discharge of securities to the Crown.

An Act to amend the Gas Inspection Act, 1873.

An Act to regulate the construction and maintenance of Marine Electric Telegraphs.

An Act to amend the Act therein mentioned, respecting Banks and Banking.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate "The London and Canada Bank" and to change the name thereof to that of "The Bank of the United Provinces."

An Act to confirm articles of agreement and consolidation between the European and North American Railway Company for extension from Saint John westward and the European and North American Railway Company of Maine, and for other purposes therein set forth.

An Act to amend an Act to incorporate the Board of Trade of the Town of Levis.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Canadian Navigation Company.

An Act to amend the several acts incorporating or relating to the Richelieu Company, and to change its corporate name.

An Act respecting the Intercolonial Railway.

An Act further to amend the Civil Service Superannuation Act.

An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the Provincial Insurance Company of Canada.

An Act respecting the lien of the Dominion on the Northern Railway of Canada.

An Act respecting the Canada Central Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate the "Metropolitan Insurance Company of Canada."

An Act to amend the Acts of incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.

An Act to change the name of the "Montreal, Chambly and Sorel Railway Company" to the "Montreal, Portland and Boston Railway Company."

An Act to amend the Act thirty-seventh *Victoria*, chapter one hundred and fifteen, incorporating "The International Express Company."

An Act to incorporate the Anglo-French Steamship Company.

An Act to incorporate the European and American Express and Agency Company.

An Act to incorporate the National Insurance Company.

An Act to amend "An Act respecting the appropriation of certain Lands of Manitoba."

An Act to extend to the Province of Manitoba the Act for the more speedy trial, in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

An Act to amend the Acts respecting Controverted Elections.

An Act for suppressing Gaming Houses and to punish the keepers thereof.

An Act to amend the Act for the more speedy trial, in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanors in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

An Act further to amend the Act respecting the treatment and relief of Sick and Distressed Mariners.

An Act to re-arrange the capital of the Northern Railway Company of Canada, to consolidate the enactments relating to the said Company, to enable the said Company to change the gauge of its railway and to amalgamate with the Northern Extension Railways Company, and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate the "Industrial Life Insurance Company."

An Act to incorporate "The Lower Ottawa Boom Company."

An Act relating to the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company.

An Act to incorporate the "Canadian Gas Lighting Company."

An Act to provide for the amalgamation of the Niagara District Bank with the Imperial Bank of Canada.

An Act relating to Interest and Usury in the Province of New Brunswick.

An Act to incorporate the "Canada Land Investment Guarantee Company," (Limited).

An Act to incorporate the Picton Coal and Iron Company.

An Act to extend to the Province of British Columbia "The Dominion Lands Acts."

An Act respecting conflicting claims to lands of occupants in Manitoba

An Act to change the corporate name of the St. Lawrence Navigation Company (steam), and to confer on it certain powers.

An Act to authorize the "Canada Southern Railway Company" to acquire the "Erie and Niagara Railway," and for other purposes.

An Act to legalize and confirm certain agreements made between the Niagara Falls International Bridge Company, the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Company and the Great Western Railway Company

An Act respecting the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company.

An Act to amend "The Fisheries Act."

An Act to amend an Act respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada.

An Act to authorize *François Xavier Galarneau* and *Magloire Cléophas Galarneau* to build and maintain a Toll Bridge over the River L'Assomption, in the Province of Quebec.

An Act to incorporate the Dominion Railways Equipment Company.

An Act to amend the Act intituled: "An Act respecting larceny and other similar offences."

An Act to change the name of the Mutual Insurance Company of Canada to "The Dominion Mutual Life Assurance Society," and to amend their Act of incorporation.

An Act to continue for a limited time the Acts therein mentioned,

An Act to repeal the export duty on Stave Bolts and Oak Logs.

An Act to amend the Acts thirty-sixth *Victoria*, Chapter nine, and thirty-seventh *Victoria*, Chapter thirty-four, respecting the appointment of Harbor Masters.

An Act to repeal an Act of the Legislature of Prince Edward Island, for the collection of the Cape Race Light House Toll.

An Act respecting the Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate a company to construct, own, and operate a Railway from Red River, in the Province of Manitoba, to a point in British Columbia, on the Pacific Ocean.

An Act to extend certain provisions of "The Seamen's Act 1873," to vessels employed in navigating the inland waters of Canada.

An Act to incorporate "The Canadian Steam Users' Insurance Association."

An Act to amend the Law relating to Bills of Exchange

An Act to incorporate "The Ontario and Quebec Lumber and Timber Association."

An Act to compel persons delivering certain Merchantable Liquids in casks to mark on such casks the capacity thereof.

An Act respecting Life Insurance Companies and Companies doing any insurance business other than Fire and Inland Marine.

An Act further to amend "The Pilotage Act, 1873."

An Act to amend the Act passed by the Parliament of the late Province of Canada, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Montreal Board of Trade."

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Canada Car and Manufacturing Company.

An Act to prevent cruelty to animals while in transit by Railway, or other means of conveyance, within the Dominion of Canada.

An Act to amend and consolidate the several Acts respecting Insurance, in so far as regards Fire and Inland Marine business.

An Act to extend and amend the law requiring Railway Companies to furnish Returns of their capital, traffic and working expenditure.

An Act to incorporate the Ottawa Royal Life Assurance Company of Canada.

An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws respecting the North-West Territories.

An Act further to amend the General Acts respecting Railways.

An Act to amend the Act Chapter forty-six of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled: "An Act respecting the Culling and Measuring of Timber."

An Act to provide for the institution of Suits against the Crown by Petition of Right, and respecting procedure in Crown Suits.

An Act to establish a Supreme Court and a Court of Exchequer, for the Dominion of Canada.

An Act respecting the Graving Dock in the Harbor of Quebec, and authorising the raising of a loan in respect thereof.

An Act respecting the Trinity House and Harbor Commissioners of Quebec.

An Act to incorporate the Quebec and Lake Huron Direct Railway Company.

An Act to amend the provisions of "An Act to amend the Criminal Law relating to Violence, Threats and Molestations."

An Act to amend and consolidate the Statute Law for the regulation of the Postal Service.

An Act respecting Penitentiaries and the Inspection thereof, and for other purposes.

An Act respecting Insolvency.

His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to reserve the following Bills for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon:—

An Act for the relief of *Henry William Peterson*.

An Act respecting Copyrights.

The Speaker of the House of Commons then said:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The Commons of Canada have voted the Supplies required to enable the Government to defray the expenses of the Public Service.

In the name of the Commons, I present to Your Excellency a Bill intituled, "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service, for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1875, and the 30th June, 1876, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service," to which I humbly request Your Excellency's assent.

To this Bill the Royal Assent was signified in the following words:—

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General thanks Her loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

His Excellency the Governor General was then pleased to address the two Houses in the following speech:—

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate :

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

I cannot relieve you from your attendance in Parliament without thanking you for the assiduity and zeal, by which at an unusually early period in the season you have been enabled to bring the onerous duties of a laborious Session to a close.

The Session has been fruitful of measures fraught with great consequences to the country.

I have readily given my assent to the Act to establish a Supreme Court and Court of Exchequer for Canada—a measure which has long been under consideration, and which is necessary to the completion of our judicial system.

The Act respecting Insolvency will promote the interests of commerce, by the wholesome changes introduced in the existing Law. These changes will doubtless result in the more careful and economical administration of insolvent estates, giving due protection to the creditor, and at the same time shielding from harsh treatment the honest but unfortunate debtor.

To aid in the development and efficient administration of our great territorial empire in the North-West, an important step has been taken by the passing of the Act providing for it a form of government predicated upon its present requirements, and framed to meet the exigencies of the near future by calling into existence representative institutions whenever sufficient population shall have been found for the exercise of the functions of self-government.

The Postal Service Act will, by its liberal provisions, and the removal of hindrances to free communication by mail, tend greatly to the public convenience.

In like manner, much advantage may be expected to result from the passing of the Act respecting Ocean Telegraphy, preventing monopoly, and giving freedom of access to our shores to all Marine Telegraph Companies.

The Copyrights Act has been passed to protect the rights of authors and artists who may desire to avail themselves of its provisions, and to facilitate arrangements for the publication in Canada of the works of writers residing in other countries.

By the Insurance Act greater security has been given to the insured, by the adoption of an effective system of inspection.

The Act relating to Penitentiaries has brought these institutions more immediately under the direction and control of the Government; and the system of administration and inspection has been simplified and cheapened.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

I thank you for the Supplies you have granted. They will enable my Government to prosecute the great public works to which the country has been committed, and will, I doubt not, contribute largely to the development of our resources, the growth of our commerce, and the extension into the interior of settlements of hardy and industrious pioneers.

Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen :

I congratulate you on the adoption of many measures, in addition to those enumerated, calculated to add to the public comfort and prosperity, to increase the stability of our institutions, and to promote confidence and good will among the different classes of our people. They, I doubt not, will be found to appreciate your labors to these ends; and I trust that on their part, they will, above all things, cultivate an unselfish love of country and devotion to the general good.

The Parliament of the Dominion of Canada was then prorogued to Tuesday, the 18th May, next.

TIMOTHY WARREN ANGLIN,
Speaker.

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